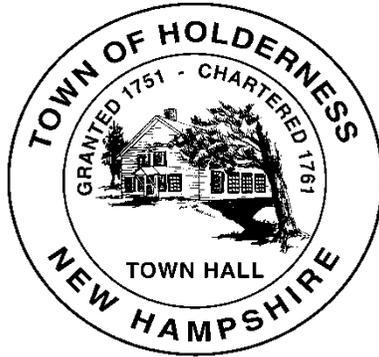
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# TOWN OF HOLDERNESS NEW HAMPSHIRE

Annual Report for Year Ending  
December 31, 2014

**On the cover-**

*Photo courtesy of Walter Johnson.*



ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
OFFICERS  
within the  
TOWN of  
HOLDERNESS  
New Hampshire  
Year Ending  
December 31, 2014

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## **THE COMFORT AND SWEETNESS OF PEACE**

After the clouds, the sunshine,  
after the winter, the spring,  
after the shower, the rainbow,  
for life is a changeable thing.

After the night, the morning,  
bidding all darkness cease,  
after life's cares and sorrows,  
the comfort and sweetness of peace.

By

Helen Steiner Rice

### **WITH FOND MEMORIES, WE REMEMBER THE CITIZENS WE HAVE LOST THIS YEAR**

David Closson  
Daniel Currier  
Nancy Grady  
Bruce Levoy  
Carlton Messenger II  
Frederick Pickel, Jr.  
Anthony Reed  
Ibra Royea  
Brian Woodward

# TOWN OFFICERS

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## ASSESSOR'S AGENT

Corcoran Consulting Associates  
Wil Corcoran

## BOOKKEEPER/ FINANCE OFFICER

Diane Richards-Resigned  
Amy Sharpe

## BUDGET COMMITTEE

Jill White (S.L.)  
John Laverack (S.L. Alt.)  
Joseph Casey (School Board)  
Kenneth Evans, Chair. 3/2016  
Robert Maloney 3/2015  
Norman Peoples 3/2015  
Alden Van Sickle 3/2015

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Christopher Buckley Resigned  
Janet Cocchiaro 3/2015  
Shelagh Connelly (S.L.)  
Jennifer Evans, Alt. 3/2016  
Jacquelyn Jewell 3/2017  
Anne Packard 3/2017  
Larry Spencer, Chair. 3/2015

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Kevin Coburn – Hwy. Supervisor  
David Guyotte  
Dennis Hughes  
Lewis Thompson

## EMERGENCY MGT. SERVICES

Earl Hansen-Deputy Director  
Walter Johnson-Director

## ENERGY COMMITTEE

Will Abbott  
Sam Brickley (S.L.)  
Walter Johnson  
Bill Johnstone  
Eleanor Mardin  
Amy Sharpe  
Larry Spencer  
Tom Stepp

## FIRE CHIEF/ FIRE WARDEN

Eleanor Mardin

## FIRE WARDS

\*\* Earl Hansen 2016  
\*\* David Dupuis 2017  
\*\* Randall Eastman 2015

## HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD

\*\* Bonni Acton 3/2015  
\*\* Joseph Casey, Chair. 3/2017  
\*\* Christina Gribben 3/2017  
\*\* Carolyn Mello 3/2015  
\*\* Kelly Schwaner 3/2016

## HOLDERNESS SCHOOL CLERK

\*\* Sara Weinberg 3/2016

## HOLDERNESS SCHOOL TREASURER

\*\* Kathleen Whittemore 3/2017

## HOLDERNESS SCHOOL

### MODERATOR

\*\* Malcolm "Tink" Taylor

## LAKES REGION PLANNING

### COMMISSION

Robert Snelling

## LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR

Colleen Hannon

## LIBRARIAN

Jacqueline Heath

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

\*\* Kim Currell, Alt. 3/2017  
\*\* Victor Currier 3/2015  
\*\* Carol Snelling 3/2017  
\*\* Tom Stepp 3/2016  
\*\* Thomas "Ted" Vansant, Chair. 3/2015  
\*\* Kathleen Wieliezko 3/2016

## MODERATOR

\*\* Ross V. Deachman 3/2015

## OVERSEER OF WELFARE

Krystal Alpers  
Louis Pare, Deputy

## TOWN OFFICERS

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### PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Malcolm "Tink" Taylor  
Shelagh Connelly (S.L.)

### COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Don Cahoon

### PLANNING BOARD

Earl Hansen, Chair.	3/2017
Peter Francesco (S.L.)	
Ronald Huntoon	3/2016
Carl Lehner, Secretary	3/2016
Suzanne Peoples	Resigned
Nancy Scothorne, Alt.	3/2016
Robert Snelling, V-Chair.	3/2015
Jill White (S.L. Alt.)	

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jeremiah Patridge, Chief  
Barry Tanner, Lieutenant  
Erik DiFilippe, Sargent  
Michael Barney, Patrol Officer  
David Bourne, Patrol Officer  
Seth Learned, Patrol Officer  
Robert Libby, Prosecutor

### RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Wendy Werner, Director

### RECREATION BOARD

Meika Carter	3/2017
Jennifer Evans	3/2017
John Laverack Jr. (S.L.)	
Daniel Litchfield	3/2016
Janis Messier	3/2017
Thomas Stepp, Chair.	3/2015
George Sutcliffe	3/2017
Shelly Swanson	3/2015

### SELECTBOARD

** Samuel Brickley	3/2016
** Shelagh Connelly, Chair.	3/2016
** Peter Francesco	3/2017
** John W. Laverack, Jr.	3/2015
** Jill White	3/2017

### SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

** Frances K. Hanson	3/2020
** Edith Jaconsky-Hamersma	3/2016
** Frances Taylor, Chair.	3/2018

### TAX COLLECTOR

Ellen King  
Sara Hixon, Deputy

### TOWN ADMIN. ASSISTANT/ ASSESSING COORDINATOR

Amy Sharpe

### TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Walter P. Johnson

### TOWN ATTORNEY

Mitchell Municipal Group, P.A.

### TOWN AUDITORS

Plodzick & Sanderson

### TOWN CLERK

** Ellen King	3/2017
Sara Hixon, Deputy	

### TOWN TREASURER

Todd Elgin

### TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

** Bonnie Hunt	3/2015
** Maurice Lafreniere	3/2017
** Brinton Woodward	3/2016

### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Ivan Bass, Alt.	3/2015
Wendell Broom, V-Chair	3/2017
Gary Johonnett	3/2016
Gary Karp	3/2017
Robert Maloney	3/2016
Judith Ruhm, Alt.	3/2016
Susan Webster, Chair.	3/2017

"...until another person shall be chosen and qualified..."

\*\* Elected Officials  
S.L. Selectmen Liaison

## MEETING SCHEDULES

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**Board of Selectmen** – Meetings are held every other Monday at 4:30 P.M., downstairs in the Town Hall. The board reviews/discusses correspondence and signs necessary documents, accounts payable, and payroll, and then moves upstairs at 5:00 P.M.

**Budget Committee** – Meets in August and, then, late October through February. Dates and times may vary, please look for meeting notices during this time.

**Conservation Commission** – Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 4:00 P.M. in the downstairs conference room at the Town Hall (This commission typically does not meet for the months of July and August.

**Energy Committee** – Meets at 3:30 P.M. on a quarterly basis throughout the year.

**Holderness Central School Board** - Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6:15 P.M. in the Holderness Central School Library, unless otherwise posted.

**Library Trustees** – Meets once monthly, days of the month and time vary. Look for postings at Town Hall, the Post Office or the Library.

**Planning Board** – Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:30 P.M. upstairs in the Town Hall. Applications submitted to this board are due 28 days before the meeting date.

**Recreation Board** – Meets once a month on a Monday night at 5:30 P.M.

**Zoning Board** – Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. upstairs in the Town Hall, as needed. Applications submitted to this board are due 28 days before the meeting date.

\* Meeting dates and times are subject to change; please visit our website at [www.holderness-nh.gov](http://www.holderness-nh.gov) for updated notices.

# FUND BALANCE POLICY

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## PREFACE

The Town of Holderness (“Town”) through its Board of Selectmen establishes and will maintain reservation of Fund Balance, as defined herein, in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”) Statement No. 54, Fund Balance reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. This policy shall only apply to the Town’s governmental funds. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance shall be composed of non-spendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned amounts.

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a key element of the financial stability of the Town by setting guidelines for fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is an important measure of economic stability. It is essential that the Town maintain adequate levels of unassigned fund balance to mitigate financial risks that can occur from unforeseen revenue fluctuations, unanticipated expenditures, emergencies, and similar circumstances. The fund balance also provides cash flow liquidity for the Town’s general operations.

## DEFINITIONS

1. **NON-SPENDABLE FUND BALANCE** – includes amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as inventory or prepaid expenses) or are required to be maintained intact (such as principal of an endowment fund).
2. **RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE** – includes amounts that can only be spent for the specific purpose stipulated by external resource providers (such as grantors) or enabling legislation (Town Meeting vote). Restrictions may be changed or lifted only with the consent of the resource providers or enabling legislation.
3. **COMMITTED FUND BALANCE** – includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Town’s highest level of decision making authority. Commitments may be changed or lifted only by taking the same formal action that imposed the constraint originally. The action must be approved or rescinded, as applicable, prior to the last day of the fiscal year for which the commitment is made. The amount subject to the constraint may be determined in a subsequent period.
4. **ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE** – includes amounts the Town

intends to use for a specific purpose. For all governmental funds other than the General Fund, any remaining positive amounts are to be classified as “assigned”. Items that fall under this classification for the General Fund would be encumbrances properly approved by contract, purchase order, or other such action as required.

5. **UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE** – includes amounts that are not obligated or specifically designated and is available for any purpose. The residual classification of any General Fund balance is to be reported here. Any deficit balance of another fund is also classified as unassigned.

### **SPENDING PRIORITIZATIONS**

When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, restricted fund balance is considered to have been spent first.

When expenditures are incurred for the purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications can be used, committed amounts should be reduced first, followed by assigned amounts and then unassigned amounts.

### **MINIMUM LEVEL OF UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE**

The Town will strive to maintain an unassigned fund balance in its General Fund equal to 6-10% of the total appropriations of the community (which includes Town, School and County). The Board of Selectmen will review this information each year in order to determine the amount, if any, of unassigned fund balance to use to balance the budget and to reduce the property tax rate.

### **ANNUAL REVIEW**

Compliance with the provisions of this policy should be reviewed as part of the annual budget adoption process.

Date of Adoption: February 11, 2013

Holderness Board of Selectmen

Peter Webster, Chairman

John Laverack, Vice Chairman

Shelagh Connelly, Member

Jill White, Member

Samuel Brickley, Member

## ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

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I'm pleased to report 2014 was another successful year for our community. As Administrator, I have continued to work closely with the members of the Select Board, Town department heads, and staff to improve the function and efficiency of our local government to continue to deliver quality services to the taxpayers and residents of Holderness.

In 2014 we continued to update key emergency management plans. An update that began in late 2013 of our Hazard Mitigation Plan was completed in late December with members of the Select Board and department supervisors participating. Our Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) identifies potential hazards to town property and infrastructure and is approved by FEMA. Lakes Region Planning Commission facilitated the plan updating efforts.

I continue to work with Time Warner Cable (TWC) to complete a new franchise agreement. A key component to our new agreement is to negotiate acceptable terms to expand cable TV service to unserved areas which will also result in access to broadband internet and cable phone service. Serving all populated areas in our community is a priority unanimously supported by the Select Board.

With the support of the Select Board, I have continued to attend valuable professional development training during 2014 including attending the International City/County Managers (ICMA) annual conference in Charlotte, NC and the spring and December conferences and workshops sponsored by the Municipal Managers Association of NH. I also attended the annual Primex loss management training conference and the NH Municipal Association annual conference.

Looking forward to 2015, my priorities include successfully concluding the long negotiations for a new cable television franchise agreement with Time Warner, moving forward our digitized Town record archiving program, continuing to expand our economic development outreach efforts and improving our emergency event communications and cooperation with neighboring communities and Plymouth State University.

As in past years, I am pleased to report our department managers and staff continue to make excellent progress in improving our service to you in the most

efficient manner possible. I want to sincerely thank the members of the Select Board, the Town office staff, department heads and all of our dedicated employees for their support, cooperation and the excellent work they provide for the citizens of Holderness. I'd like to thank Diane Richards who left the Town's employment this summer for all her excellent service as bookkeeper and congratulate Sara Hixon on her completion of the NH Town Clerk and Tax Collector's training program. I'd also like to thank Amy Sharpe for her willingness to assume the role as our new finance person while continuing her excellent work as our assessing administrator.

As always my door is open to all and I encourage you to stop in the Town office, or contact me by phone or e-mail ([administrator@holderness-nh.gov](mailto:administrator@holderness-nh.gov)) with any comments, suggestions and/or concerns you may have about your local government.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Walter Johnson, Town Administrator

**TAX RATE HISTORY**

*The chart below is an historical breakdown of the components which make up the Town Tax Rate.*

<b>Year</b>	<b>Town Valuation</b>	<b>Town Tax</b>	<b>Local Education</b>	<b>State Education</b>	<b>County</b>
<b>2005</b>	568,529,898	2.62	6.41	2.98	1.43
<b>2006</b>	661,031,605	2.17	5.99	2.45	1.29
<b>2007</b>	663,642,765	1.95	6.32	2.53	1.42
<b>2008</b>	674,673,392	2.46	6.73	2.35	1.64
<b>2009</b>	680,542,900	2.43	6.55	2.58	1.40
<b>2010</b>	683,110,905	2.59	6.75	2.42	1.35
<b>2011</b>	690,435,404	2.43	6.96	2.30	1.47
<b>2012</b>	692,601,263	2.55	6.97	2.37	1.61
<b>2013</b>	660,940,857	2.90	7.25	2.55	1.84
<b>2014</b>	671,107,054	2.80	6.98	2.79	1.81

## SELECT BOARD REPORT

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The Board continues to serve Holderness and meets every other week at Town Hall. We also attend the Conservation Commission and Planning Board meetings as liaisons to remain informed and updated about on-going board actions. We appreciate the opportunity to serve our Town and we are always open to your input on issues regarding our community.

2014 was a busy year during which the Town finally had success in getting the State to remove the Jersey barriers that were an eyesore for many years. Senator Forrester was instrumental in catalyzing this improvement. A telecommunications tower was erected at the transfer station and, in June, went live to broadcast NH Public Radio. In addition, White Oak Pond was drawn down to assess the repairs that are needed to the dam and the culvert under the road. Based on the findings, the repairs are scheduled to be completed in the fall.

The Town continues to be engaged with Plymouth State University concerning areas of joint interest including public safety, construction of the new AllWell Center on the Intervale, and the search for a new President, as Sara Jayne Steen steps down after a decade of leading the university. Once again, the Town met with business owners and received input. This is an open dialog in keeping with our goal to maintain Holderness as a business-friendly community.

Residents enjoyed several summer concerts and a grand finale event Labor Day weekend when the Baker Valley Band played on a boat on Little Squam and an awesome fireworks display closed out the evening. Looking forward to this for Labor Day weekend again!

The Select Board oversees the Town budget and many other things including improved recycling rates at the transfer station; fire and police safety; and good roads. We are able to do this because of our dedicated Town employees who do excellent work, and all of the volunteers who serve on our committees and boards throughout the year. We thank all of these people for their service.

The Board is committed to keeping Holderness a wonderful place to live, work and play.

Respectfully submitted,  
Shelagh Connelly- Chair, Woodie Laverack- Vice Chair, Jill White, Sam Brickley and Peter Francesco

## COMPLIANCE OFFICE

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A new year is here again and although it does not show in the permits, there has been an increase in construction industry activity since midsummer and it still appears to be going very well. I look forward to a very busy year ahead.

Please remember that, if you are working within 250 feet of a waterbody, you may need shoreland approval from the State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and a building permit approved by the Town of Holderness before any work can begin. Make sure the Town gets a copy of any shoreland permits submitted to the State.

If you are changing the footprint of the building, adding bedrooms, or building a new house, you will need to check the NHDES septic rules to be sure you have a properly approved septic design for the work you plan to do.

Below is a list of activity within Holderness during 2014.

Permits	# Issued	Permits	# Issued
Septic Designs	17	Houses	8
Alterations/Additions	13	Decks	8
Garages	2	Wells	2
Solar Panels	4	Demolitions	5
Tennis Court	1	Sheds	3
Antenna	2	Dock	1
Barns	2	Exhibit Bldg.	1
Tree House	1	Generators	1
Cottage	1	Foundations	1
Biomass Boiler	1	Office/Sign	2
<b>Total Permits: 76</b>			

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald E. Cahoon, Compliance Officer

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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As always, a major undertaking of the Commission is to monitor properties either owned by the Town or in which the Town participates in the easement. There are five public access properties: Riverside Park on South River Street; the Pilote and Town Forests on Beede Road; wetlands on Smith Road; and wetlands on the east side of White Oak Pond. There are also three non-public access easements that the Commission monitors. The other major duty of the Commission is to comment on projects involving wetlands or matters pertaining to the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act.

The timber cuts mentioned in last year's annual report have been started. Licensed forester, Tom Hahn of FORECO, LLC., is managing the project. The major outcomes will be to improve the forest stands; provide openings for wildlife; cull some of the "sick" trees; provide cordwood for the Town DPW; and enhance viewsapes and trails. Work on the Town Forest plot was completed in December, 2014 and the logger moved to the Pilote Forest in January, 2015.

We continue to work closely with other local non-governmental organizations, particularly with the Squam Lakes Conservation Society. We provided information at the 2014 Town Meeting and have worked with the Squam Lakes Association to educate local folk about the presence of arsenic and radon in deep wells. The chair of the Commission is a member of the NH Consortium on Arsenic and has attended meetings of that group. The Commission works with other local Commissions to publish a monthly column, *Conservation Matters*, in the Record Enterprise.

The Commission continues to work with the "Friends of the Pemi" group. The NH State Parks has now taken control over state land on either side of Livermore Falls (previously, NH DRED only had direct control over the Plymouth/Campton side and NH Fish and Game controlled the Holderness/Campton side). Through the Holderness Police Department, the Town provided an on-site attendant during summer, 2014. The Plymouth Area Rotary Club provided picnic benches and barbeques on the Holderness side and that area is definitely more "family-friendly." We hope to see improved parking and supervision of the entire area in summer, 2015.

The Commission continues to try to make its holdings "user friendly." Many thanks to the Holderness Historical Society which provided two picnic tables at

the Pemi Riverside Park location. Upon completion of the forest cuts, we will be looking for help to work on the trails on both the Town Forest and Pilote Forest properties. We plan to hold an open house after the forest cuts have been completed. Many thanks also to Doug McLane, of Plymouth, who has assisted the Commission in dealing with the three Liberty Elms that the Commission has planted in Holderness. The two at the gazebo are doing very well, but the third at the Holderness Central School needs a bit of tender loving care.

Lastly, there have been a few personnel changes on the Commission. The new Land Use Assistant, Colleen Hannon, has been very helpful in organizing the paperwork and meetings of the Commission. Chris Buckley resigned because of a move to Plymouth. We appreciate his assistance over the past years. We are looking for new members, so please consider volunteering.

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry Spencer, Chair, Chris Buckley (through October 2014), Janet Cocchiaro,  
Jenny Evans, Jacque Jewell, Anne Packard, and Shelagh Connelly (S.L.)



*Photo of a male coyote who went on exhibit last season at the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center.*

## **ENERGY COMMITTEE**

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Established in 2007 to recommend to the Board of Selectmen steps Town government can take to save energy and reduce emissions, the Holderness Energy Committee (HEC) met in late 2014.

The Town continued to purchase electricity from Nextera, an independent electricity broker, to provide power to all Town facilities resulting in some initial savings on a per kilowatt hour rate basis. Our agreement with Nextera ended in March of 2014 and the Town returned to purchasing its power from NH Electric Coop. The committee has recommended to the Select Board that the Town look into a new electricity purchase agreement in the spring of 2015.

A project to upgrade the lighting at the DPW garage to LED fixtures was recently approved and will be completed in early 2015 with the assistance of a 50% grant from NH Electric Coop. The HEC is also continuing to evaluate options to reduce some of the Town's street light energy consumption and to convert all street lighting to LED lighting. The addition of solar electricity generation to the public safety building as well as energy efficiency improvements to the building's heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems are still being evaluated.

Looking ahead to 2015, the HEC will continue to review operational procedures with the Select Board and Town department heads to see if any improvements can be made in department methods of operations to reduce energy use in all Town buildings and equipment. New members are always welcome. If you would like to join the HEC, please contact the Town office.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Spencer, Walter Johnson, Eleanor Mardin, Bill Johnstone, Will Abbott,  
Don Cahoon, Amy Sharpe, Tom Stepp and Sam Brickley (S.L.)

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

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2014 was another busy year for the Holderness Fire Department (HFD). Our new Engine 3 arrived at the beginning of the year and, after two days of training and placing all the equipment onboard, 12E3 was in service. Our first building fire with the new engine came during a snowstorm at the Holderness Prep School. We are very pleased with the performance of the new engine.

This year the Fire Department promoted two new Deputies and two new Captains. Newly promoted officers are Deputies Randy Eastman and Scott Fields and Captains Jeremy Bonan and William Currier. Deputies Earl Hansen and Richard Currier have been reassigned to fill the roles of Safety Officer and Engineer, respectively.

As always, please remember to test your smoke and CO detectors and replace your batteries twice a year. A working detector could save your life!

Respectfully submitted,  
Eleanor Mardin, Fire Chief

### **Chief**

Eleanor Mardin

### **Deputy Chiefs**

Randy Eastman

Scott Fields

### **Captains**

Jeremy Bonan

Jim Chapin

William Currier

### **Honorary Member**

Richard Mardin

### **Safety Officer**

Earl Hansen

### **Firefighters**

Jon Abear

Doug Barber

Jamison Brandin

Tyler Driscoll

David Dupuis

Walter Johnson

Kevin Rogers

Ron Saulnier

Trevor Solomon

Skip VanSickle

James Wieliczko

### **Engineer**

Richard Currier

### **Firefighter/EMT**

Matt Abear

Amelia Currier

Tyler Currier

Stan Graton

Gary Mack

Todd Randlett

### **EMTs**

Tracy Burhoe

### **Explorers**

Matthew Barber

Burt Wieliczko

Jimmy Wieliczko

### **Paramedic**

Brad Morse

## FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLS FOR 2014

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Field training exercise on North River Street.  
*Photo courtesy of Gary Mack*

Alarm Activations.....	40
Brush Fires.....	5
Chimney Fires.....	3
Electrical Problems.....	1
Fuel Spills.....	1
Lightning Strikes.....	2
Medical.....	157
Motor Vehicle Accidents.....	23
Mutual Aid.....	38
Power Lines Down.....	16
Rescue.....	3
Service Calls.....	9
Smoke Investigation.....	2
Structure Fires .....	1
<b>Total Calls:</b>	<b>301</b>

## FOREST FIRE WARDEN

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Outside fires can be started in different ways. Careless disposal of ashes; discarded cigarettes; unattended campfires; or if you happen to be at the shooting range and miss your target, a bullet could hit a rock and start a fire. The fall of 2014 was not that dry but a two-acre fire was caused by a missed shot at the Pemi Fish and Game Range and spread quickly uphill. HFD had assistance from neighboring towns and the fire was under control in an hour. HFD also responded to a fire on Groton Island. This fire was caused when a camp fire was not properly extinguished. The fire burned into the ground and followed several tree roots before it started the duff and pine needles on fire. The fire came dangerously close to a building that had just been renovated. Please remember to properly extinguish all outside fires.

Permits are needed for any outside fire unless there is snow cover. Permits can be picked up at the Town Hall or Fire Department at no cost.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eleanor Mardin, Forest Fire Warden



Field training burn on North River Street

*Photo courtesy of Gary Mack*

## LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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### Library Hours

Monday- 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.  
Tuesday- 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Wednesday- 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.  
Thursday- Closed  
Friday- 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Saturday- 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.



*Left to right: Deborah Thouin, Jackie Heath- Library Director, Kelly Schwaner, and Jeannie Perkins.*

A new webpage and a new public online catalog were launched in May. The automation system at the Library has been updated and the new system allows patrons to look up materials remotely and also, using a PIN, to renew, request, and reserve items. The old, slow computers that had obsolete operating systems were replaced.

We joined other New Hampshire libraries using the theme “Fizz, Boom, Read!” for the Summer Reading Program. Master storyteller, Simon Brooks, and singer/storyteller, Steve Blunt, came to entertain and enlighten. Over 70 children signed up to read for a certain amount of time on a regular basis, winning prizes. Afternoon programs of arts and crafts, Legos, and origami were well attended. Volunteers and Trustees built a “Little Free Library” which was set up at the town’s public beach so readers could borrow books and leave books in return. The Story Walk, set up with cooperation from the Holderness Recreation Department and Squam Lakes Natural Science Center, was popular during July

and August. The Library offered free passes to area attractions including Castle in the Clouds (gift from the Friends of the Holderness Library) and Squam Lakes Natural Science Center (donated by the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center). Story Time was held every Wednesday morning and it is always a great way for parents and children to enjoy literature and socialize. On Wednesday afternoons, Casual Bridge is played. Knitting meets on Friday. Mahjong is played in the meeting room. There is an active book discussion group that currently meets once a month. A Puzzle Club was formed to share puzzles. There's a needlepoint group that meets weekly. For times and details of these activities and more, please visit the library web page, [www.holdernesslibrary.org](http://www.holdernesslibrary.org) or give us a call at 968-7066.

### **Library Statistics**

- Number of registered borrowers – 1,826
- Number of items owned – 12,299
- Items circulated – 12,090
- Library visits/patron usage (“foot traffic”) – 11,694
- Number of adult programs – 141 (attendance -1,027)
- Number of children’s programs - 85 (attendance -1,508)

We are grateful to all the wonderful folks who volunteer time or make donations to the Library throughout the year. Many thanks to the Friends of the Holderness Library who purchase items and passes for patrons; earn money through fundraising; and act as strong advocates for the Library. Thank you to the community for continued support. We look forward to seeing you all at Holderness Free Library, a “vibrant place where people can connect!”

Respectfully submitted,  
Jackie Heath, Library Director

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES' REPORT

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This past year has been a busy and exciting one for the Holderness Free Library. As part of a plan that started in 2008, the Trustees have been working on the next steps in our plan to be handicap accessible and to create more space for our patrons to gather and to provide programming for children and adults in our community. We completed many projects in the past five years that set the foundation for the future of our beautiful library. Most notably we have restored the historical building to much of its original glory. We look forward to the coming year as we continue with plans to expand while being mindful of our historic roots on the corner of downtown Holderness.

2014 was a year of hello's and goodbyes. We welcomed our new Library Director last spring. Jackie Heath comes to us with years of experience and her own Holderness story having lived on True Farm 30 years ago. Jackie has been busy getting to know Holderness patrons and residents. Under Jackie's leadership, we continue to provide an outstanding collection of books, DVDs, magazines and newspapers. Jackie brings new ideas, energy and enthusiasm to our library.

In addition to a new Director, we have welcomed a new Child and Youth Services Librarian. Deborah Thouin joins Jackie and Jeanne Perkins to round out our staff. We are very excited to have her on board. She has many years of experience at the library in Bristol and, given her enthusiasm and creativity, we are looking forward to great things in our youth programming.

Kelly Schwaner, the Child and Youth Services Librarian for the last 4 years, resigned her position to pursue a different career path. During her time with the library, Kelly created a wonderful children's program. She not only had story times on Wednesday, but she developed outreach programs by collaborating with the Science Center, local day cares and the Holderness Central School. Youth patron numbers swelled as our collection and programs increased. We wish Kelly success in her new adventure. We are also grateful that she will be continuing with the Friends of the Library.

The Trustees are most grateful to the Friends of the Library for their ongoing fundraising efforts. We had our third Cupcake Challenge on Memorial Day in conjunction with our annual book sale. This past December the Friends had their tenth annual Santa Sale. This has been a wonderful holiday event that has been

enjoyed by children, parents and the Friends, who work tirelessly to provide sale items, wrap gifts, take pictures with Santa, sell cookies and of course revel in the children's excitement. Beyond the funds raised, the Trustees value the Friends ongoing support in our community.

The Trustees wish to thank all the residents of Holderness for the ongoing support of our library.

Holderness Library Trustees,

Ted Vasant  
Tom Stepp  
Carol Snelling

Vic Currier  
Kathy Wieliczko  
Kim Currell (Alternate)



*Photo courtesy of Amy Sharpe*

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES**  
**MARCH 13 & 14, 2014**

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At the annual Town Meeting of the Town of Holderness held on March 11 and postponed March 12 by the Moderator Ross Deachman due to inclement weather, reconvened March 13, 2014, the following business was transacted.

At 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, at the Holderness Town Hall, Moderator Ross Deachman convened the meeting and declared the polls opened. At 7:00 p.m., Moderator Deachman declared the polls closed and the ballots counted. Results were announced and the Moderator declared the winners.

At 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 13, 2014 at Holderness Central School, the Meeting resumed following the Holderness Central School District Meeting. Malcolm “Tink” Taylor was duly appointed as Moderator, pro tem by Moderator Ross Deachman for the purpose of presiding over the meeting.

Moderator Malcolm Taylor asked for a moment of silence for those residents that had passed away during the year 2013.

Moderator Taylor announced the results of Article 1 and declared the winners. The Moderator announced the results of the State Special Election for Executive Councilor. The Moderator declared that Article 2 (the Zoning Amendments) had all passed.

**Article 1:** To choose all Town Officers by official ballot:

**Selectman for 3 Years: (Vote for Two)**

Jill Mudgett White 248

Peter S.Francesco 250

**Town Clerk for 3 Years: (Vote for One)**

Ellen King 307

**Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 Years: (Vote for One)**

Maurice Lafreniere 292

**Library Trustee for 3 Years: (Vote for One)**

Carol A. Snelling 282

**Supervisor of the Checklist for 6 Years: (Vote for One)**

Frances “Kay” Hanson 290

**Fire Ward for 3 Years: (Vote for One)**

David Dupuis 281

**Special General Election for Executive Councilor:**

Republican:

Joseph D. Kenney 126

Democratic:

Michael J. Cryans 179

**Article 2:** 2014 Proposed Zoning Ordinance Changes  
(Recommended by the Planning Board)

1. “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Section 400.6.3.1: Flashing Signs: to clarify and expand the portion of the ordinance addressing the use of flashing and electronic signs?”

**Yes 232                      No 55**

2. “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Section 400.8.2: to clarify that setback requirements for septic tanks and leach fields also apply to rivers and clarify the setback reference line?”

**Yes 262                      No 33**

3. “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Section 700.3.1: Lots: to replace the phrase *cubic footage* with *living area square footage*?”

**Yes 253                      No 34**

4. “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Section 1100.1 Expedited Septic System Repair or Replacement: to

change the process for approving an expedited septic system repair or replacement?"

**Yes 250**

**No 35**

5. "Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Section 1300 Definitions: Expansion – to replace the phrase *cubic footage* with *living area square footage* and clarify expansion of use?"

**Yes 254**

**No 33**

6. "Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Section 1300 Definitions: Structure – To exclude fences 6' high or lower from the definition?"

**Yes 232**

**No 50**

**HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ELECTION RESULTS**

***School Board Member for 3 Years: (Vote for One)***

*Joseph E. Casey*                      287

***School Board Member for 2 Years: (Vote for One)***

*Christina Gribben*                      265

***School District Treasurer for 3 Years: (Vote for One)***

*Kathleen S. Whittemore*              278

***School District Moderator for 3 Years: (Vote for One)***

*Write-in*

*Malcolm Taylor*                      23

*Ross Deachman*                      8

**HOLDERNESS ELECTION RESULTS  
PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICT  
ELECTION RESULTS**

***Moderator for 2 Years: (Vote for One)***

*Quentin Blaine*                      274



**Article 4:** *To see if the School District will vote to authorize and empower the School Board to borrow up to one hundred four thousand dollars (\$104,000) representing a portion of the State of New Hampshire's share of special education costs for the 2014-2015 school year, pursuant to RSA 198:20-d upon such terms and conditions as the School Board determines in the best interests of the District, said sum together with the costs of borrowing to be repaid by the State of New Hampshire pursuant to RSA 198:20-d, or to take any action in relation thereto. The School Board **recommends** this article. (Majority vote required.)*

**Yes 235**

**No 47**

**Article 5:** *To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost items included in a collective bargaining agreement reached between the School Board and the Plymouth Regional Educational Support Staff, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:*

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2014-2015	\$29,097.00

*and further to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-nine thousand ninety-seven dollars (\$29,097.00) for the 2014-2015 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. The School Board **recommends** this article. (Majority vote required.)*

**Yes 218**

**No 64**

**Article 6:** *To see if the Pemi-Baker Regional School District will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session (deliberative session) for the purposes set forth therein, totaling twelve million four hundred eighty-seven thousand two hundred fifty-three dollars (\$12,487,253).*

*Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be twelve million six hundred fifty-eight thousand eight hundred eighty-nine dollars (\$12,658,889), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Pemi-Baker Regional School District, or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting. In accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI,*

to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This sum excludes the sums in Warrant Articles 1, 3, and 5. The School Board **recommends** this article. (Majority vote required.)

**Yes 237**

**No 44**

**Article 3:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of all Town Officers and Committees.

Moved by Andy Hancock and seconded by Alicia Abbott. Susan Francesco stated that there was error in the 2013 Town Report on Page 9, relating to the list of names under Fond Memories as some of the residents names listed had passed away in 2012, and some resident’s names had been omitted. The vital record list of resident deaths on page 74 and 75 is correct.

A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee’s recommended sum of Two Million Two Hundred and Eighty-three Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$2,283,700) for general municipal operations. Said sum does not include special or individual articles elsewhere within this warrant.

Moved by Daniel Rossner and seconded by Fran Taylor. No Discussion. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Eighty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$382,500) to be placed into the following Capital Reserve Funds:

Fire/Rescue Vehicles	\$40,000
Road Reconstruction	150,000
White Oak Pond Dam	1,000
Transfer Station Equipment	2,000
Municipal Buildings	30,000
Revaluation	35,000
Library	5,000
Fire Equipment	5,000
Public Works Vehicles	46,000
Police Cruiser	26,000
Employee Health Insurance Trust	15,000
Conservation	5,000

Town Office IT Fund	10,000
Library IT Fund	10,000
Master Plan Fund	<u>2,500</u>
	<b>\$382,500</b>

Moved by Susan Francesco and seconded by Andy Hancock. No Discussion. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$233,000) for the following capital projects and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the Select Board to withdraw the sums indicated from the following designated Capital Reserve Funds for these purposes:

Road Reconstruction	\$150,000
Revaluation (cycle inspections)	30,000
Police Cruiser	38,000
Employee Health Ins. Ded.	<u>15,000</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 233,000</b>

Moved by Alden Van Sickle and seconded by Joanna Tuveson. No Discussion. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$5,700.00) for the purchase of a new office copier/scanner/fax machine. Amount to come from the unexpended fund balance as of 06/30/14.

Moved by Bruce Whitmore and seconded by Daniel Rossner. No Discussion. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand One Hundred Thirty-five Dollars (\$15,135.00) for the purchase of a new town office computer server and four workstations. Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to come from the Town Office IT Capital Reserve Fund and the balance amount to come from the unexpended fund balance as of 06/30/14.

Moved by Anne Hunnewell and seconded by Andy Hancock. No Discussion. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to enter into a multi-year lease for a portion of the transfer station property located on TaDaDump Road to New Hampshire Public Radio for a transmitter site. The length and terms of the lease agreement to be in the best interest of the Town as determined by the Select Board.

Moved by Fran Taylor and seconded by Bruce Whitmore. Alden Van Sickle asked what the height is of the transmitter tower? Selectman Shelagh Connelly answered 60 feet tall. A question was asked on the location of the tower? Administrator Walter Johnson answered behind the electronics building at the transfer station. Sallie Fellows asked at the public hearings had there been any objections to this tower and if there would be lights on it? Selectmen Connelly stated there were no objections raised at the public hearing on the tower and there will be no lights. Selectmen Connelly stated that the Town will receive \$ 1,500 a year for the lease from Public Radio. The Moderator recognized Scott McPherson from NH Public Radio as there was no objection for him to speak. Mr. McPherson confirmed the purpose and the height of the tower and that the transmitter will expand coverage to neighboring towns of Holderness and Squam Lake area. Richard Fabian asked if the Select board had a policy for leasing property to non-profit organizations? Selectman Connelly stated that the Board has no formal policy but to hold a public hearing to allow residents to voice comments or concerns. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to reaffirm its objection to the Northern Pass Project, which submitted an amended application (replacing their original application and subsequent amendments) for a Presidential Permit to the Department of Energy on July 1, 2013 and to recommend that state owned transportation rights-of-way should be used to locate underground energy transmission corridors; or to take any other action relative thereto. This article is by petition.

Moved by Walter Johnson and seconded by Larry Spencer. No Discussion. A voice vote was taken and the Article **PASSED**.

**Article 11:** To transact any other business that can legally come before the meeting.

The Moderator recognized Christopher Buckley, Conservation Commission member who wanted to alert the community that arsenic had been found in some drilled wells in Holderness as well as in some surrounding towns, and inform residents how they can get their water tested.

The Moderator recognized Betsy Whitmore who stated that a committee has been formed to include a chapter in the master plan on Historic Cultural Resources and seeks input or comments on historic landmarks within the town.

The Moderator recognized Andy Hancock who expressed his appreciation and thanks to all members of the Fire Department for the all of their help to him and his family over the past couple years and for the exceptional service they provide to the community.

The Moderator recognized Mr. Webb who suggested that the Selectmen take the 1<sup>st</sup> years lease revenue and construct a warming shelter for the transfer station attendant.

Ted Vansant, Chairman of the Library Trustees stated that Library Trustees hired a new Library Director, Jackie Heath and asked the residents to stop by the Library and welcome her to the town.

Selectman John Laverack recognized and thanked Peter Webster for his 10 years of service on the Board of Selectmen and the 4 years on the Budget Committee. Mr. Laverack recognized his accomplishments as he was instrumental in updating the technology in the town office. Mr. Laverack presented Mr. Webster a granite clock as a token of appreciation for his dedicated service to the town.

Peter Webster expressed his appreciation and thanks to the dedicated Town Employees, Board & Committee members, Elected Officials and for the support from the community.

Peter Francesco moved to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Betsy Whitmore.

Moderator Taylor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ellen King, Holderness Town Clerk

## PLANNING BOARD REPORT

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Planning Board duties are specified by state statute and include review of subdivision and site plan applications; review and update of the Master Plan; and review of the Zoning Ordinance for amendments as needed. The members continue to work on procedures for consistent review of applications; balancing assistance to the applicant with conformity with the Town's ordinances and regulations.

The Planning Board continued its work on both current planning and legislative amendments to the Holderness Zoning Ordinance during 2014. The Board reviewed two Boundary Line Adjustments; three Site Plan Applications; and three Subdivisions.

The Planning Board worked the latter one-half of the year on proposed amendments to the Holderness Zoning Ordinance. The Ordinance was completely reviewed and edited for consistency and ease in understanding. There will be six proposed amendments each year, starting in 2015, to get all the amendments adopted. Many of these changes are housekeeping in nature.

The Planning Board has been assisted by an active working group, the Holderness Historic Resources Committee, on the drafting of a new Historic and Cultural Resources Chapter for the Master Plan. The Committee, comprised of Alicia Abbott, Barbara Fahey, Peter Francesco, Woodie Laverack, Missy Mason, Mike O'Donnell, Larry Spencer, Bob Tuveson, Kathy Weymouth and Betsy Whitmore, will be presenting the draft chapter to the Planning Board and then to the community for adoption in 2015.

The Holderness Zoning Ordinance and subdivision and site plan regulations as well as application instructions, minutes, agendas, and meeting dates for both the Planning Board and the Historic Resources Committee can be found on the Town website, [www.holderness-nh.gov](http://www.holderness-nh.gov).

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter Francesco (S.L.); Earl Hansen, Chair; Ron Huntoon; Carl Lehner; Suzanne Peoples; Nancy Scothorne; Bob Snelling, V.-Chair; and Jill White (alt. S.L.).

## POLICE DEPARTMENT'S REPORT

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*L-R Back Row: Patrolman- Seth Learned, Mike Barney, David Bourne  
L-R Front Row: Lieutenant- Barry Tanner, Chief- Jeremiah Patridge, Sergeant- Erik DiFilippe*

In 2014, our biggest challenge was, and still is, the dangerous resurgence of heroin. Use of this highly addictive drug has reached epidemic proportions in New Hampshire and across the country. The increase is due in part to individuals who have been addicted to prescription opioid pain medication, and switching to heroin because it's cheaper and more easily accessible.

The impact of heroin and prescription opioid pain medication here in Holderness, as well as other surrounding communities, is higher crime rates. We will continue to work with federal, state and local agencies to keep Holderness a safe place to live.

On a brighter note, I'm pleased to report a safe and successful recreation season at Livermore Falls. This year, Cory Nader completed his second season at Livermore Falls. We had more families enjoying the beach and a decline in criminal citations and parking violations. Many thanks go out to the *Friends of the Pemi* for all the hard work that they have done throughout the year. In 2015, we will see construction of a new, larger parking area and staff members provided by the State Department of Resources and Economic Development who will help us oversee daily activities and keep the momentum moving in a positive direction. We are fortunate to have this waterway in our town and would encourage anyone that has never been to the Livermore Falls Beach to come and check it out.

In the upcoming year, we will be constructing an attached garage, also known as a “sally port,” on the public safety building. The sally port is essential to the safety of the officers when moving prisoners from the police vehicle to the prisoner processing area. The risks of moving a prisoner out of a police vehicle without having the security this area will provide include a prisoner escaping in handcuffs; the movement being interrupted by a third party; or the prisoner or officer slipping and/or falling due to seasonal conditions.

In addition, this a facility will allow for a police vehicle to be secured when not in use as well as parked fully equipped and ready to respond to an emergency. Having to outfit a vehicle prior to responding to a call can result in slower response times or a needed piece of equipment being left behind.

The facility will also provide space for evidence processing; storage of equipment; a safe and appropriate area to clean and service weapons; clean vehicles; and a climate controlled area to secure found canines. I would appreciate your support for this necessary and important project.

The sally port was recommended by Primex, our liability insurance provider. This facility will reduce the Town’s liability for injuries by avoiding them in the future.

I would like to thank my dedicated officers for their longevity and professional service to the citizens and visitors of the Town of Holderness. This is truly a team effort.

If you have any suggestions or concerns, please feel free contact me by phone or e-mail at [hpdchief@holderness-nh.gov](mailto:hpdchief@holderness-nh.gov). Thank you again for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeremiah Patridge, Chief of Police

# POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS 2014



*Photo courtesy of Amy Sharpe*

911 HANG-UP	21	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	81
ABANDONING A VEHICLE	0	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT (Fatality)	0
ALARM (Business & Residential & Fire)	102	MOTOR VEHICLE CITATIONS	26
ALCOHOL OFFENSES	43	MOTOR VEHICLE COMPLAINT	75
ANIMAL INVOLVED INCIDENTS	134	MOTOR VEHICLE WARNINGS	710
ARRESTS (Total)	67	MOTOR VEHICLE / DWI	7
ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENTS	306	NOISE COMPLAINT	12
ATTEMPT TO COMMIT BURGLARY	0	OFFICER FOLLOW-UP	229
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE	1	OPEN/UNSECURE DOOR	27
BENCH WARRANT	2	PAPER SERVICE / RELAY	23
BURGLARY	5	PARKING COMPLAINT / INFO	35
CITIZEN REQUEST ASSIST. / MVLO	236	PARKING TICKETS	37
CIVIL MATTER	13	PISTOL PERMITS	51
CIVIL STANDBY	24	POLICE INFORMATION	52
CONDUCT AFTER AN ACCIDENT	2	PROACTIVE NOISE WARNING	28
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	13	RECKLESS/NEGLIGENT OPERATION	1
CRIMINAL RECORDS	47	REGISTRATION OF SEX OFFENDER	10
CRIMINAL THREATENING	2	RESISTING ARREST OR DETENTION	1
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	5	RUNAWAY JUVENILE	0
DIRECTED PATROL (Including Radar)	464	SEXUAL ASSAULT	1
DISORDERLY ACTIONS / CONDUCT	13	SIMPLE ASSAULT	6
DISTURBANCE (Including Domestic)	27	SITE CHECKS	873
DRUG RELATED INCIDENT	5	SUBPOENA SERVICE	7
FINGERPRINTS - JOB APPLICATIONS	16	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	134
FOOT PATROL	88	THEFT (All Thefts)	28
FRAUD / FORGERY	3	UNRULY JUVENILE	3
HARASSMENT	16	UNTIMELY/ UNATTENDED DEATH	3
ISSUING BAD CHECKS	2	VACANT HOUSE CHECK	1333
LITTERING	2	LOST / FOUND PROPERTY	32
MISSING / WANTED PERSONS	10		

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeremiah Patridge, Chief of Police

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Well, it's a little chilly this morning, -15 degrees. It's a little hard on the oil barrel, but helps set the roads for winter maintenance. The freeze, thaw, rain and ice played havoc on our dirt roads in December. With very little snow pack, potholes, and ruts, our cutting edges on the plows took it hard.

This past year has been busy for the Highway Department due to our general road maintenance program including grading; repair and maintenance of ditches and culverts; cutting back of new growth along our road ways; and the reconstruction of a section of Perch Pond Road. The construction started at Hardhack Road and continued for 1,900' and consisted of the removal of old asphalt and 18 inches of unsuitable material under the asphalt replacing it with road stabilization fabric, gravel and crushed gravel; and then repaving. With the help of M.E. Latulippe and Bryant Paving, the project went extremely well.

I praise the crew of the Highway Department for its dedication, knowledge and strong work ethics; they are second to none. Thank you, Lewie Thompson, Dennis Hughes, and David Guyotte, and Skip Thompson for the fantastic work he does on the Town properties, cemeteries and recreation path. I'd like to thank the other Departments, Town Administrator, Select Board and the Townspeople for working so closely together and making it a great place to serve. With continued support, we will use our very best efforts in our general maintenance program and will continue with our long term road reconstruction projects.

As we have mentioned in the past, if all residents who live on the Town-maintained roads could have their heating fuel delivered before road bans come on the first of March that would be great.

Respectfully  
submitted,  
Kevin M. Coburn,  
PWD Supervisor



*Photo courtesy of Kevin Coburn*

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT – PROGRAM & BEACH REPORT

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Holderness Recreation Department is comprised of one part-time director and as many as 10 seasonal staff and independent contractors, all of whom help to bring you a variety of recreational opportunities. The department has a volunteer board that meets monthly providing budget oversight and program review. The department is service-oriented and strives to provide a wide range of programming for year-round and seasonal residents of the Town. The

department also manages the Livermore Beach property.



**PROGRAMMING** - Holderness Recreation offered approximately 44 programs and classes in 2014. Programs included Adult Volleyball & Basketball, Yoga, Zumba, Early Bird Exercise, Youth and Adult Archery, Swimming Lessons, Soccer Camp, Family Camping, Summer

Tennis, Craft Classes, Vacation Swimming, Senior Popcorn and a Movie, StoryWalk, Sciensational Workshop, Voice Over Class, vacation week family magic show, Summer Concerts and much more.

New this fall was the introduction of ballroom dance lessons. Town Hall came alive on Wednesday nights from September through early December as residents and others learned beginning steps or fine-tuned existing dancing skills in the Fox Trot, Waltz, Rumba and more. We had about 30 participants and we are looking forward to continuing this into the New Year!

We were also excited to team up again with “Peanut Butter Bill” Aronson, a USPTA certified tennis pro, and offered a variety of summer tennis lessons. Eight weeks of lessons were held at the Holderness School courts. This program “served” 44 participants (ages four – adult) and we expect to offer it again in 2015.

Our largest program, SummerEscape, was held this summer at the Holderness School, where we utilized the gym, playing fields, tennis courts and the Nordic House. The Holderness Central School was under construction and we were very

thankful that the Holderness School could accommodate this great program. This past summer the program ran for 7.5 weeks. Staff provided programming daily for 18-27 participants ranging in age from 5-12 years old. Programming included visits by Lori Card - Yoga, White Mountain Karate, crafts, sports, Squam Lakes Natural Science Center, Community Clay Center, Holderness Free Library, New England School of Archery and more. Two days a week, the program visited the Holderness Town Beach and at least one day a week the program headed out to a local area of interest for a field trip. 2014 field trips included Wellington State Park, Whales Tale Water Park, Franklin Falls Dam, Clarks Trading Post, Jump N Joy, Fisher Cats game, and Smitty's Cinema.

**BEACH** - Livermore Beach, otherwise known as the Holderness Town Beach, is located at 31 Dirt Rd. It is a hidden gem in Holderness. The Holderness Town Beach property was donated by Mrs. Edwin S. Webster and Mr. Frank G. Webster to the Squam Lake Conservation Society (SLCS) in 1963. SLCS is the owner of the property. The Holderness Select Board and Holderness Recreation Board, on behalf of the Town and its residents, oversee the utilization and maintenance of the property.

The beach is staffed seasonally with a beach attendant from the middle of June through Labor Day. The Attendant is on site from 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. seven days a week, weather permitting. The role of the beach attendant is to check beach passes; reinforce rules and regulations; monitor use of the facility; and interact with the beach patrons. Our beach attendants are not lifeguards and, because of this, we do ask that you keep a close eye on your guests while you are at the beach.

**USE OF THE BEACH** - The Livermore Beach is for the residents and taxpayers of Holderness and up to eight bona fide guests. Passes are \$15 and may be purchased at the Town Clerk's office Monday – Friday between 8:30 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Upon purchase of your seasonal beach pass, you will receive a copy of the rules and regulations for the beach. We ask that you please review this list and abide by it. If you have a concern about activity or behavior at the beach, please speak with the attendant on duty or contact the recreation office. We are very lucky to have this resource available to the Town and need everyone who uses it to follow the rules. There were 212 beach passes sold in 2014; this is down from 226 the year before.

**OPENING, IN-SEASON AND CLOSING TASKS** - In the spring, it is time to clean up all of the winter debris including leaves, branches and muck that washed up on the beach. Additional opening tasks include putting in the swim area lines; hanging the swings; cleaning out the shed and changing room; and mowing the lawn. For the most part, these tasks are handled by volunteer efforts from the Recreation Board. In recent years, we have been very fortunate to have the assistance of a boat from Camp Deerwood to help put in the swim lines.

Seasonal maintenance is performed by the beach attendants, recreation director and a local mowing company.

In the fall, we focus on taking in the swim lines again, and with help from Camp Deerwood, using a pontoon boat has made the fall process much easier. Other duties include taking down the swings; organizing the shed; and leaf blowing. We contract with a local vendor for the final task in closing the beach, which is the removal and storage of the swim raft.

If you are interested in helping with the opening or closing of the Town Beach, feel free to contact Wendy in the office or any of the board members for more information.

**AMENITIES AT THE BEACH** - These include a storage shed; changing shed; portable toilet; raft; picnic tables; protected swimming area; land line phone for emergencies; two parking areas and the serenity of the beach. New this summer was the addition of the “Little Free Library.” This is a



small customized book box attached to one of the trees near the beach. It was installed about halfway through the season and allows people to exchange books without going to the Library. We would like to thank the Holderness Library Trustees for making the Little Free Library a reality here in Holderness.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY** - Over the past two summers, we have seen an increase in “swimmers itch” at our beach. We do our best to notify swimmers about this once we have been made aware of it. This is not a water quality issue, but a natural life cycle common in lakes where ducks and geese gather. This year, we did invest in a plastic owl in hopes of deterring the geese that had been

gathering at the beach. You can find out more information at [www.nhstateparks.com/swimmersitch.html](http://www.nhstateparks.com/swimmersitch.html).

Although we have a beach attendant on the property for most of the season, we ask that you please report any activity that you think is inappropriate. Our police department does a wonderful job checking on it daily during the open season, but another set of eyes is always appreciated in the off season.

**OUR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM** - The Recreation Department has a scholarship fund to help families and participants who are experiencing financial hardship. Scholarships help families participate in our many programs that they may otherwise not be able to take part in. This year, we were able to help two families participate in programs. Donations come in many shapes and sizes and we are thankful for all of them. We have a round-up option on our registration form that allows people to contribute any amount they like above their program fee. Thanks to everyone who made contributions this year and please keep it in mind for next year.

**YOUR INPUT AND PARTICIPATION** - Thank you for taking the time to read our report. We are always interested in hearing from you about the types of activities and programs that you would like to have available in Holderness. As always, please feel free to contact Wendy in the office or any of the Recreation Board members to share your thoughts. You are also always welcome to come to one of our Board meetings which are held once a month on Mondays at 5:30 P.M. downstairs at Town Hall. The Recreation office can be reached at 603-968-3700 or [recreation@holderness-nh.gov](mailto:recreation@holderness-nh.gov).

**SPECIAL THANKS** - Much of our success is due to the work and support we have received from many volunteers and Town employees. Thank you to the Selectmen, Town Administrator, Town Hall staff, Police, Fire and Public Works Departments and the Holderness Central School for all of their support furthering recreation in Holderness.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Steve Solberg, Peter Hendel, Tony LeMenager, Duane Stevens, Pam Bliss and Rick Eccleston for accommodating our SummerEscape program at the Holderness School. Without this wonderful working relationship, we would not have been able to have the program.

Thank you to the Pemigewasset Fish and Game Club for its continued support of our Archery program. They let us use their indoor and outdoor facilities, and, since 2001, we have had over 186 participants in the program.

Thank you to Squam Lakes Association for offering a free camping weekend on Bowman Island for the fourth year. We had one family take advantage of this great experience.

Lastly we would like to thank Camp Deerwood for once again offering to train our summer staff in CPR and First Aid and for donating a refrigerator to the summer program.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wendy Werner (Recreation Director)  
Tom Stepp (Chairperson)  
George 'Biff' Sutcliffe (Secretary)  
Shelly Swanson  
Janis Messier  
Meika Carter  
Dan Litchfield  
Jenny Evans  
Woody Laverack (Selectman Liaison)



*SummerEscape at  
Clarks Trading Post*

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

**Year Ending: June 30, 2014**

UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEG. OF YEAR*		DEBITS		PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		Levy for Year of this Report				
		2014	2013			
Property Taxes	#3110		\$ 1,315,436.68	4.32		
Resident Taxes	#3180					
Land Use Change	#3120					
Yield Taxes	#3185		\$ 1,107.57			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187					
Sewer Maintenance Assessment	#3189		\$ 50.00			
Property Tax Credit Balance**		\$ (13,436.42)	\$ (3,214.03)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**		\$ (50.00)	\$ (50.00)			
<b>TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR</b>				<b>For DRA Use Only</b>		
Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 4,795,553.00	\$ 4,869,027.00			
Resident Taxes	#3180					
Land Use Change	#3120	\$ 49,500.00				
Yield Taxes	#3185	\$ 8,288.27	\$ 10,499.19			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$ 117.98				
Sewer Charges	#3189	\$ 1,565.25	\$ 1,870.21			
Sewer Main.Assessment	#3189	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,450.00			
<b>OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS</b>						
Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 3,120.82	\$ 10,598.75			
Resident Taxes	#3180					
Land Use Change	#3120					
Yield Taxes	#3185					
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187					
Overpayment: 6/4/13			\$ 51.00			
Interest - Late Tax	#3190		\$ 25,275.01			
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190					
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>		\$ 4,846,158.90	\$ 6,232,101.38	4.32	\$	

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

**Year Ending: June 30, 2014**

<b>CREDITS</b>				
REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for Year of This Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2013	2012	
Property Taxes	\$ 3,915,850.09	\$ 6,001,791.97		
Land Use Change	\$ 31,500.00			
Yield Taxes	\$ 2,734.21	\$ 11,460.57		
Interest (include lien conversion)		\$ 25,275.01		
Penalties				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 117.98			
Sewer Charges	\$ 1,092.75	\$ 1,716.91		
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		\$ 171,653.10		
Conversion to Elderly Tax Deferral		\$ 4,185.00		
Sewer Maintenance Assessment:	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 1,450.00		
<b>DISCOUNTS ALLOWED</b>				
<b>ABATEMENTS MADE</b>				
Property Taxes	\$ 3,912.78	\$ 3,765.77	4.32	
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	\$ 4,350.26			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Sewer Charges:	\$ 157.50	\$ 153.30		
<b>Overpayments:</b>	\$ 3,120.82	\$ 10,598.75		
<b>Overpayment: 6/4/13</b>		\$ 51.00		
<b>CURRENT LEVY DEEDED</b>				
<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080</b>				
Property Taxes	\$ 875,790.13			
Land Use Change	\$ 18,000.00			
Yield Taxes	\$ 1,203.80			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Sewer Charges:	\$ 315.00			
Sewer Maintenance Assessment:	\$ 50.00			
Property Tax Credit Balance**	\$ (13,436.42)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**	\$ (50.00)			
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$ 4,846,158.90</b>	<b>\$ 6,232,101.38</b>	<b>\$ 4.32</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

**Year Ending: June 30, 2014**

### DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)			
	2013	2012	2011	2010	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beg. Of Year	\$ -	\$ 79,745.95	\$ 47,933.41	\$ 312.13	
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$ 185,524.73	\$ 3,648.10			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	325.04	\$ 3,901.42	\$ 16,969.03	206.59	
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$ 185,849.77</b>	<b>\$ 87,295.47</b>	<b>\$ 64,902.44</b>	<b>\$ 518.72</b>	

### CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)			
		2013	2012	2011	2010	
Redemptions		\$ 25,721.33	\$ 38,097.72	\$ 47,645.24	\$ 312.13	
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	325.04	\$ 3,901.42	\$ 16,969.03	206.59	
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens			\$ 172.51			
Liens Deeded to Municipality						
Unredeemed Liens	8/16/2013		\$ 3,648.10			
Balance - End of Year	#1110	\$ 159,803.40	\$ 41,475.72	\$ 288.17	\$ -	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>\$ 185,849.77</b>	<b>\$ 87,295.47</b>	<b>\$ 64,902.44</b>	<b>\$ 518.72</b>	

Respectfully submitted,  
 Ellen King  
 Holderness Tax Collector

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
2014 TAX RATE CALCULATION**

**TOWN/ CITY: HOLDERNESS**

Gross Appropriations	2,920,035
Less: Revenues	1,104,234
Add: Overlay (RSA 76:6)	10,110
War Service Credits	50,500

Net Town Appropriation	1,876,411
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/ City Tax Effort	1,876,411
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**TOWN RATE  
2.80**

**SCHOOL PORTION**

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp.-Revenue)	4,201,748
Regional School Apportionment	2,314,531
Less: Adequate Education Grant	0

State Education Taxes (from below)	(1,829,690)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	4,686,589

**LOCAL SCHOOL  
RATE  
6.88**

**STATE EDUCATION TAXES**

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$2.480	
687,181,626		1,829,690
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
657,250,657		

**STATE SCHOOL  
RATE  
2.79**

**COUNTY PORTION**

Due to County	1,213,964

Approved County Tax Effort	1,213,964
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**COUNTY RATE  
1.81**

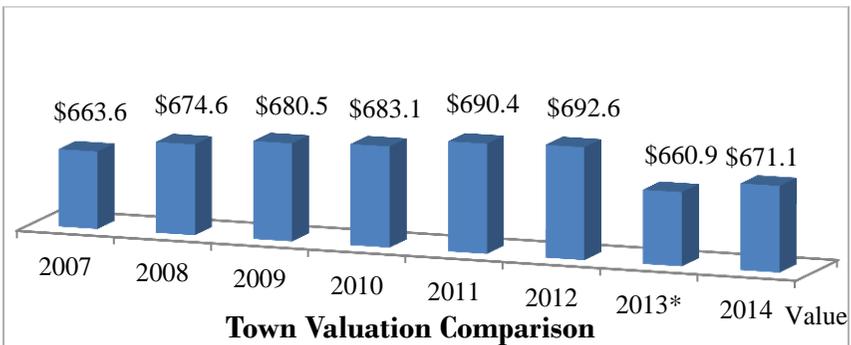
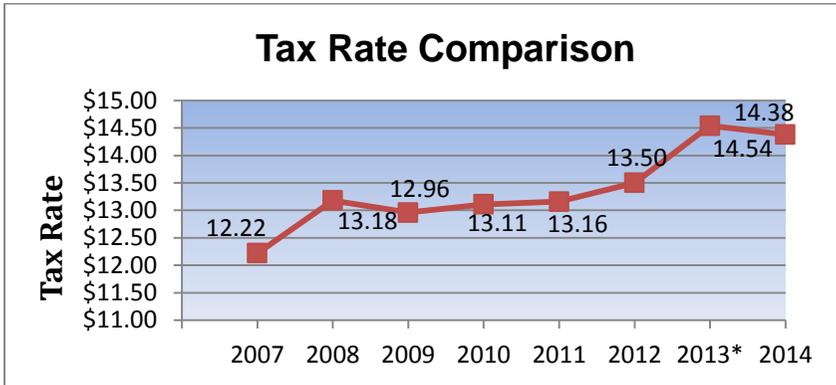
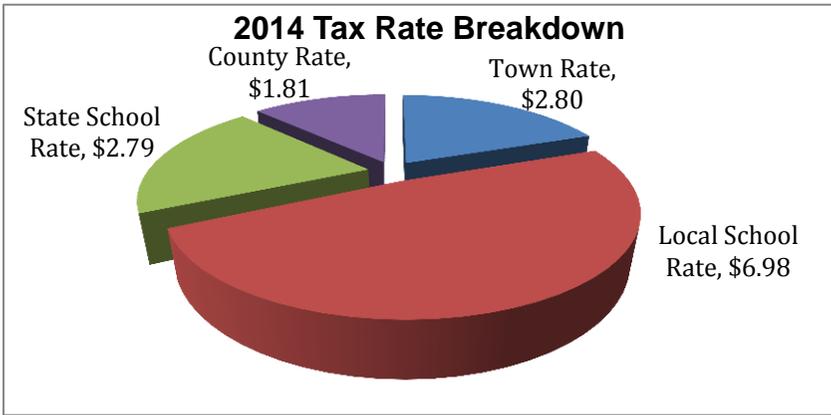
Total Property Taxes Assessed	9,606,654
Less: War Service Credits	(50,500)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
<b>Total Property Tax Commitment</b>	<b>9,556,154</b>

<b>TOTAL RATE 14.38</b>
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**PROOF OF RATE**

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	655,384,501	2.79	1,829,690
All Other Taxes	671,107,054	11.59	7,776,964

## TAX RATE INFORMATION – 2014



\*Revaluation year

## TOWN CLERK

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### REMITTED TO THE TREASURER

July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014

Motor Vehicle Registrations/Title Fees:	389,933.38
Municipal Agent Fees:	9,315.00
E-Reg Fees:	227.90
Dog Licenses:	3,165.50
Vital Records Fees:	2,115.00
Transfer Station Receipts:	23,993.00
Transfer Station Stickers:	2,131.00
Beach Permits:	3,285.00
Wetlands Application Fees:	17.00
Miscellaneous:	57.00
Overpayments: Refunds	11.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 434,250.78</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Ellen King, Holderness Town Clerk

# SCHEDULE OF ESTIMATED DEBT PAYMENT

## Holderness Estimated Debt Payment Schedule

1/27/2015

Purpose	Original Amount	(Current year)										
		FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	
Transfer Station	350,000.00	63,246.00	63,863.00	62,481.00	61,098.00	59,716.00						
2013 Pumper Fire Truck	88,000.00			30,467.00	30,061.00	29,697.00						
Highway Truck (Proposed)	100,000.00									26,536.00	26,536.00	26,536.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>65,246.00</b>	<b>63,863.00</b>	<b>92,948.00</b>	<b>91,159.00</b>	<b>89,413.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>26,536.00</b>	<b>26,536.00</b>	<b>26,536.00</b>	<b>26,536.00</b>	<b>26,536.00</b>
<b>Holderness Central School</b>	<b>2,371,079.00</b>	<b>287,967.00</b>	<b>278,719.00</b>	<b>269,472.00</b>	<b>264,472.00</b>	<b>250,981.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

# SCHEDULE OF EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

MASTER VEHICLE, EQUIPMENT and BUILDING CAPITAL PLAN 1/30/2015	REPLACEMENT YEAR											
	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023
<b>VEHICLE DESCRIPTION/DEPT.</b>												
<b>CURRENT INVENTORY</b>												
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>												
1994 Galtion Grader				\$ 40,000.00								
2009 Car Backhoe								80,000.00				
2008 International Dump Truck							175,000.00					
2013 International Dump Truck	160,000.00											
2010 F350 Ford Pickup												
2006 Ford F-550 1 Ton Truck	56,000.00				\$ 72,000.00							
Chipper												
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>												
Unit #4 Sedan 2010		38,000.00										
Unit #1 Sedan 2012	38,025.18					\$ 39,900.00						
Unit #3 2013 F150		32,000.00										
Unit #2 2007 Sedan							\$ 41,895.00					
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>												
2009 Ford F-350 Rescue								85,000.00				
1990 Mack Pumper 12E3	413,000.00											
1993 Ford F-350 12 F3												
1997 Mack Pumper 12E4												
2006 Kenworth Tanker 12W5												
1998 Ford Expedition												
2012 Ford F350 Pickup	46,000.00											
<b>MUNICIPAL PROPERTY/BLDGS.</b>												
PSB Roof Replacement				88,000.00								
PSB Sally Port				192,000.00								
Town Hall Generator		15,000.00										
Truck Exhaust Vent System						65,000.00						
HVAC Improvements												
Total Capital Equipment Investment:	140,025.18	620,000.00	38,000.00	280,000.00	92,000.00	111,900.00	216,895.00	165,000.00				
Funded From Capital Reserves	140,025.18	282,000.00	38,000.00	80,000.00	92,000.00	80,000.00	60,000.00	85,000.00				
Amount to be Financed		88,000.00										
Amount to be Raised by Taxes		12,000.00										
Amount from Fund Balance		238,000.00		200,000.00								

FY16

<b>PS Bdl.</b>	
Price	\$ 280,000.00
CRFSS	\$ 80,000.00
Net	\$ 200,000.00
Finance	
Fund Bal	\$ 200,000.00

\*\* CRF: withdrawals/contributions

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN EQUIPMENT

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### FIRE DEPARTMENT

1931 Ford	
1954 Willys Jeep	
1997 Ford Expedition	
2009 Ford Rescue	12R1
2014 Pierce Fire Truck	12E3
1993 Ford Forest Fire Truck	12F3
1997 Mack Fire Truck	12E4
2006 Kenworth Fire Truck	12E5
2006 Premier Pontoon Boat	12B1
2012 F350 Utility Pickup	12U1
13' Boston Whaler Boat	12B2

### MOBILE EQUIPMENT

1951 Model Dunbarton Cascade Trailer	
2002 Yacht Club Snowmobile Trailer	
2003 Skandik Ski-Doo	
2009 Kubota UTV	
2011 Royal Swiftwater Rescue Trailer	

### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

2009 International – 6 Wheel Dump Truck (sander in body & plow)	
2013 International – 6 Wheel Dump Truck (sander in body & plow)	
2011 Ford F350 – 1 Ton Pickup Truck (slide in sander & plow)	
2012 Ford F550 - 1 Ton Dump Truck (slide in sander & plow)	
2009 Caterpillar Backhoe	
1994 Galion Grader	

### EQUIPMENT

1990 Bandit 200 XP Brush Chipper	
1988 York Rake	
1988 Road Broom	

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

2010 Ford Crown Victoria – Detail Car	
2014 Ford Taurus Victoria – Unit #1	
2007 Ford Crown Victoria - Unit #2	
2013 Ford Taurus- Unit #3	
2013 Ford F150 - Unit #4	
2011 Message Board/Radar Trailer	

### TRANSFER STATION

1997 Caterpillar Backhoe	
2004 Ford F350 – 1 Ton Pickup Truck (slide in sander & plow)	

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN & SCHOOL PROPERTY

<b>TAX MAP/ LOT</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION LOCATION</b>	<b>LAND VALUE</b>	<b>BUILDING VALUE</b>	<b>TOTAL VALUE</b>
No Map #	White Oak Pond Dam		32,100	32,100
101-008	Fire/Police Station	130,040	683,200	813,240
101-012-1	Route 113	46,500	7,000	53,500
101-019	Library	365,320	181,400	546,720
102-006	Village Common & Gazebo	610,400	3,100	613,500
222-015	Public Works Garage	191,450	239,800	431,250
223-011	Pilote Conservation Lot	493,850		493,850
224-001	Smith Road Lot	63,880		63,880
225-016	Pemi River Park Lot	36,300		36,300
228-079	HCS* Vacant Lot	133,260		133,260
229-025	Holderness Central School	254,130	3,397,700	3,651,830
231-003	Route 113	42,200		42,200
239-001	Town Hall	34,500	290,600	325,100
239-042	Corner Lot-Routes 3 & 175	47,300		47,300
245-065	Transfer Station/Pease	87,500	81,200	168,700
245-067	White Oak Pond	179,400		179,400
252-016-1	East Holderness Road	97,220		

\*Holderness Central School

### TOWN MAINTAINED CEMETERIES

<b>NAME</b>	<b>MAP/LOT</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION/LOCATION</b>
East Holderness	252-9	Corner Rt. 3 & E. Holderness Rd
Eastman	251	E. Holderness Rd, West of Vontel
Cox	255-3	East Holderness Road
Merrill	255-11	Hawkins Pond Road
Piper	246-21	Coxboro Road
Squam Bridge	101-10	Corner Rt. 3 & Rt. 113
True	206	Rt. 113 and Pinehurst Rd
Shaw	228	Hardhack Road
Ladd	205	Rt. 113
Sanborn	222-22	Old Highway South
Prescott	231	Old Highway South
Carr	220-7	Old Highway South

## NOTES

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**TOWN OF HOLDERNESS  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MARCH 10 & 11, 2015**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Holderness, in the County of Grafton and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday the tenth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the polls shall be opened and shall not close earlier than seven o'clock in the evening to act upon Articles 1 & 2 herein; the third and subsequent Articles to be acted upon commencing at seven thirty o'clock in the evening (or immediately following the annual school district meeting whichever comes later) of the following day, Wednesday, the eleventh day of March, 2015, in the auditorium of the Holderness Central School.

**Article 1:** To choose all Town Officers by official ballot:

**Article 2:** 2015 Proposed Zoning Ordinance Changes Article 2. To see how the Town will vote by official ballot on the proposed amendments, as recommended by the Planning Board, to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

1. "Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Remove *Accessory building or structures and uses* from the list of permitted uses in Section 300.4.1.1, Section 300.4.2.1 and Section 300.4.3.1. in order to clarify that these buildings, structures and uses are accessory to the permitted uses listed in these sections?"
2. "Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Sections 300.4.1.5: Shore Frontage; 300.4.2.6: Shore Frontage; and 300.4.3.5: Shore Frontage to read, *Shoreland Frontage: When the boundary of a lot is the shore of a water body or river, the minimum water frontage shall not be less than 200 feet?*"
3. "Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 400.6.5.1: Political Signs: to replace the entire section with the phrase, *as per State law and regulations, RSA 644.17 ?*”

4. “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Section 400.12.1, under Shoreland Structures: to replace the word, *may*, with the word, *shall ?*”

5. “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: To amend, delete, or add definitions to Section 1300: Definitions for Accessory Structure; Applicant; Application; Approval; Board; Compliance Officer; Decision-Making Authority; Dwelling, Two-Family; Family; Funeral Home; Health Care; Health Officer; Lake Shore District; Motel-Lodging; Multi Use Facilities/Property; Municipal or Government Building; Museum; Nursing Home; Ordinary High Water Line; Park; Plat; Plot Plan; Professional Offices; Public Safety Facility; Reference Line; Restaurant; Retail; Shore Frontage; Sign, Subdivision; and Unsuitable Land ?”

6. “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Making numerous housekeeping, nonsubstantive changes to correct spelling, grammar, and formatting ? “

**Article 3:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of all Town Officers and Committees.

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee’s recommended sum of Two Million Two Hundred and Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$2,275,000) for general municipal operations. Said sum does not include special or individual articles elsewhere within this warrant.

**Recommended by the Select Board; ( 5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; ( 4 yeas, 0 nays)**

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000) to be placed into the following Capital Reserve Funds:

Fire/Rescue Vehicles	\$40,000
Road Reconstruction	150,000
White Oak Pond Dam	1,000
Transfer Station Equipment	2,000
Municipal Buildings	30,000
Revaluation	35,000
Library	5,000
Fire Equipment	5,000
Public Works Vehicles	46,000
Police Cruiser	26,000
Employee Health Insurance Trust	5,000
Conservation	5,000
Town Office IT Fund	10,000
Library IT Fund	10,000
Master Plan Fund	<u>5,000</u>
	<b>\$375,000</b>

**Recommended by the Select Board; ( 5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; ( 4 years, 0 nays).**

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Eighty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$186,000) for the following capital projects and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the Select Board to withdraw the sums indicated from the following designated Capital Reserve Funds for these purposes:

Road Reconstruction	\$150,000
Revaluation (cycle inspections)	25,000
FD Thermal Imaging Camera	<u>11,000</u>
(funds from the FD Equipment CRF)	

**Total: \$186,000**

**Recommended by the Select Board; (5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (4 years, 0 nays).**

**Article 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500) for a biological study of conservation property known as Map 224 Lot 001 located on the corner of Sargent and Smith Roads owned by the Town and to authorize the withdrawal of this amount to come from the unexpended fund balance as of 06/30/15.

**Recommended by the Select Board; ( 5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; ( 4 years, 0 nays).**

**Article 8:** To see if the Town will vote to establish an expendable trust fund for the purpose of payment of post-employment benefits such as earned vacation and other accrued leave time to Town employees at separation and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in said fund and further to appoint the Select Board as agents to expend from said fund without further approval of the legislative body; and further to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of this amount from the unexpended fund balance as of 06/30/15.

**Recommended by the Select Board; ( 5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; ( 4 years, 0 nays).**

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding half of the expense of extending cable television and broadband on East Holderness Road in order to enhance economic development in the Town, increase the connectivity of homes and businesses and to afford greater educational opportunities, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) to be deposited in this fund said amount to come from cable franchise fees and furthermore to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.

**Recommended by the Select Board; (5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (4 years, 0 nays).**

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$280,000) for the replacement of the roof shingles and for an addition to the building for a police department “sally port”, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) from the government building capital reserve fund and authorizing the withdrawal of the balance of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) from the unexpended fund balance as of 06/30/15.

**Recommended by the Select Board; (5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (4 years, 0 nays).**

**Article 11:** To see if the town will vote, pursuant to NH RSA35:9-a-II, to authorize the Trustees of the Trust Funds to pay for capital reserve fund investment management services, and any other expenses incurred, from capital reserve funds income. No vote by the Town to rescind such authority shall occur within five years of the original adoption of this article.

**Article 12:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to enter into a multi-year lease for a portion of property owned by the Town located on E. Holderness Road known as Map 252 Lot 016-001 for a solar array. The length and terms of the lease agreement to be in the best interest of the Town as determined by the Select Board.

**Article 13:** To transact any other business that can legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands this 23rd day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.

**HOLDERNESS  
BOARD OF  
SELECTMEN**

**Shelagh Connelly, Chairman  
John Laverack, Vice-Chairman  
Peter Francesco  
Jill White  
Samuel Brickley**

**Cumulative Appropriations:**

<b>Article Amount</b>		<b>Purpose</b>
5,	\$ 375,000	To Capital Reserve Accounts
6, 7, 8, 9, 10	<u>\$ 496,500</u>	Capital Outlay
Subtotal	\$ 871,500	
4	<u>\$ 2,275,000</u>	Operating Budget
	\$ 3,146,500	Proposed Gross Budget

## 2015-2016 HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET

SOURCE OF REVENUE	ACTUAL REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '13 - June '14	ESTIMATED REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '14 - June '15	ESTIMATED REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '15 - June '16
<b>REVENUE</b>			
<b>TAXES</b>			
LAND USE CHANGE TAXES	49,500	2,500	3,500
YIELD TAXES	18,787	3,500	3,500
IN LIEU OF TAXES	1,000	3,000	1,000
BOAT TAX	6,682	6,500	6,500
INTEREST & PENALTIES	46,603	38,000	42,000
EXCAVATION TAX	118		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>122,690</b>	<b>53,500</b>	<b>56,500</b>
<b>BUSINESS LICENSE AND PERMITS</b>			
BUS LICENSE & CABLE FEES	13,877	10,000	10,000
UCC FILINGS & CERTIFICATES	630	200	500
MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT FEES	399,327	345,000	350,000
BUILDING PERMIT FEES	9,579	6,900	6,900
<b>OTHER LICENSES, PERMITS, FEES</b>			
DOG LICENSES	3,166	2,500	2,500
MARRIAGE LICENSE	(5)		
COPY FEES	719	700	700
VITAL RECORDS	2,100	1,500	1,500
OTHER LICENSES, PERMITS, FEES	334	200	200
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>6,314</b>	<b>4,900</b>	<b>4,900</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>429,727</b>	<b>367,000</b>	<b>372,300</b>
<b>STATE &amp; FEDERAL</b>			
FEDERAL GRANTS/REIMBURSEMENT	10,516	12	5
SHARED REVENUE BLOCK GRANT			
HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT	62,223	62,000	62,000
ROOMS AND MEALS	93,734	94,000	98,000
OTHER GRANTS	844		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>167,317</b>	<b>156,012</b>	<b>160,005</b>

## 2015-2016 HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET

SOURCE OF REVENUE	ACTUAL REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '13 - June '14	ESTIMATED REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '14 - June '15	ESTIMATED REVENUE FISCAL YEAR July '15 - June '16
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICE</b>			
<b>DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE</b>			
POLICE INCOME- GENERAL	14,531	8,988	9,000
POLICE INCOME-HSRO	52,500	50,000	50,000
RECREATION DEPARTMENT	18,338	14,000	14,000
BEACH INCOME	3,255	3,000	3,000
TRANSFER/WASTE INCOME	27,480	25,000	25,000
PLANNING INCOME	2,000	2,000	2,000
ZONING INCOME	4,315	1,500	2,500
FIRE INCOME	1,786	600	600
TC E-REG FEES	149	100	100
LIBRARY INCOME	1,027	1,500	1,500
TRANSFER STATION PERMITS	2,415	1,000	2,000
SUB TOTAL	127,796	107,688	109,700
SEWER USE CHARGES	3,282	3,800	3,800
	2,950		
<b>TOTAL</b>	134,028	111,488	113,500
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>			
<b>SPECIAL ASSESSMENT</b>			
SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY	33,500		
INTEREST-CHECKING & SAVING	-	120	120
INTEREST-INVESTMENTS	14,547	18,000	15,000
RETIREE INSURANCE REIMBURSE	5,984	4,930	4,930
INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT			
INSURANCE-EMPLOYEE SHARE	19,650	23,500	23,500
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	151	150	145
TRANSFER FROM CAPITAL RESERVE	489,627	243,000	266,000
LONG-TERM NOTE	88,000		
DONATIONS & GIFTS			
<b>TOTAL</b>	651,459	289,700	309,695
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,505,221	977,700	1,012,000

## 2015-2016 HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 32:3, V)	ACTUAL	VOTED	SELECTMEN'S	BUDGET COMMITTEE
	EXPENDITURES	APPROPRIATIONS	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED
	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	BUDGET	BUDGET
	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR
	July '13 - June '14	July '14 - June '15	July '15 - June '16	July '15 - June '16
<b>SUMMARY OF EXPENSES</b>				
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				
EXECUTIVE	129,231	134,855	134,200	134,200
ELECTION, REGISTRATION & VITALS	70,188	74,500	77,000	77,000
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	59,161	66,500	67,000	67,000
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	26,654	43,600	43,600	43,600
LEGAL EXPENSE	17,127	15,000	15,000	15,000
PERSONNEL BENEFITS	329,953	382,500	366,188	366,188
PLANNING/ZONING	11,754	20,075	20,550	20,550
GIS PROGRAM	6,000	6,600	3,500	3,500
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING	12,978	17,000	17,500	17,500
CEMETERIES	3,008	3,400	4,750	4,750
OTHER INSURANCE	26,875	29,750	31,769	31,769
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>				
POLICE	407,464	434,315	433,700	433,700
AMBULANCE	46,723	47,538	48,146	48,146
FIRE	167,201	168,150	167,800	167,800
EMERGENCY MGMT/FLOOD PATROL	74	1,800	1,800	1,800
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>				
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	298,741	299,900	305,500	305,500
STREET LIGHTING	5,208	5,300	5,505	5,505
<b>SANITATION</b>				
SANITATION	148,620	166,000	166,000	166,000
SEWER	3,635	3,800	3,800	3,800
<b>HEALTH/WELFARE</b>				
COMPLIANCE/HEALTH	12,587	16,400	15,000	15,000
ANIMAL CONTROL	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
PUBLIC SERVICE	29,966	30,000	29,900	29,900
WELFARE	12,522	25,000	25,000	25,000
<b>CULTURE/RECREATION</b>				
PARKS AND RECREATION	59,224	56,050	57,700	57,700
BEACH	6,689	8,080	8,750	8,750
LIBRARY	92,399	124,940	124,800	124,800
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	1,407	4,700	2,500	2,500
<b>CONSERVATION</b>				
	563	3,500	4,000	4,000
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>				
	65,261	92,948	92,542	92,542
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,052,713</b>	<b>2,283,700</b>	<b>2,275,000</b>	<b>2,275,000</b>

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 32:3, V)	ACTUAL	VOTED	SELECTMEN'S	BUDGET COMMITTEE
	EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR July '13 - June '14	APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR July '14 - June '15	RECOMMENDED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR July '15 - June '16	RECOMMENDED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR July '15 - June '16
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>				
COMPUTER/SERVER	6,765	15,135		
FIRE/RESCUE VEHICLES	412,841			
WHITE OAK POND				
OFFICE COPIER/SCANNER		5,700		
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	130,397	<b>150,000</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>150,000</b>
POLICE CRUISER	32,000	<b>38,000</b>		
LIBRARY	7,929			
REVALUATION	23,001	<b>30,000</b>	<b>25,000</b>	<b>25,000</b>
FIRE EQUIPMENT			<b>11,000</b>	<b>11,000</b>
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE	4,563	<b>15,000</b>		
PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES	129,635			
PUBLIC BUILDINGS IMPROVEMENTS	22,705		<b>280,000</b>	<b>280,000</b>
CONSERVATION LAND STUDY			3,500	3,500
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EXP.				
ABATEMENT DEFENSE FUND				
POLICE EQUIPMENT				
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT				
VILLAGE SIDEWALK MAINT.	200			
<b>TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS</b>				
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
FIRE/RESCUE VEHICLES	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
TRANSFER STATION EQUIPMENT	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
POLICE CRUISER	24,000	26,000	26,000	26,000
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE	17,000	15,000	5,000	5,000
WHITE OAK POND	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
LIBRARY	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
REVALUATION	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
FIRE EQUIPMENT	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES	45,000	46,000	46,000	46,000
ABATEMENT LEGAL DEFENSE FUND	10,000	-		
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND				
TOWN IT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
LIBRARY IT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
MASTER PLAN UPDATE		2,500	5,000	5,000
CABLE EXPANSION RESERVE FUND			12,000	12,000
POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT RF			15,000	15,000
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>3,211,748</b>	<b>2,920,035</b>	<b>3,146,500</b>	<b>3,146,500</b>
<b>NET APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>2,702,170</b>	<b>2,880,500</b>	<b>2,880,500</b>

NOTE: NET APPROPRIATION EQUALS TOTAL APPROPRIATION LESS CAPITAL OUTLAY ITEMS IN BOLD PRINT. THE ITEMS IN BOLD ARE TOTALLY OR PARTIALLY FUNDED FROM THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS.

## TRANSFER STATION

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*Left to right: Scott Davis, Supervisor and Tom Gammons*

Here we are at the end of 2014. You may have noticed a change in personnel this spring. Ernie has moved on and we wish him well in his new job. Our new attendant is Tom Gammons. Tom joined us in May and has learned quickly how we recycle all the material we receive at the transfer station. Tom was a big help in processing all the metal this summer.

I am happy to report that you, the residents, have done it again! We saw another increase in material this year. We saw an increase of three and one-half tons. One and one-half tons were trash and two tons were recyclables. That is impressive that you increased the recyclables more than you increased the trash. I see some of you are able to bring in two bags of recyclables and only one bag of trash. Let's all keep looking for all the recyclables and maybe next year we can reduce the trash. That would also increase our recycling!

We also did very well with the Planet Aid boxes this year. You donated 7.4 tons of clothes and shoes. That is almost a whole ton more than last year. This year we

earned 5 cents per pound. If you have clothes to donate, we can help someone and earn a little money to help our Town. That's better than tossing it in the trash.

At the Household Hazardous Waste Day in Meredith, we saw 70 residents from Holderness. This is a great, free way to get rid of all your dangerous items in the basement or in the garage. Please use this day, which is typically scheduled for the last Saturday in July.

You may have noticed a pile of lawn chairs this fall? Tom and I were getting them ready to ship to a scrap yard. We shipped 5,900 lbs. of aluminum at 50 cents per pound. We also shipped 2,840 lbs. of insulated copper wire at \$1.00 per pound. This is the wire from all those toasters, radios, fans and other electronics. That comes to \$5,823 in revenue for the Town. Tom has set up two wooden tables near the yellow boxes for you to set these items on.

I would like to thank Kevin Coburn and the road crew for their help with shipping to the scrap yard and maintaining the backhoe. I also want to thank and welcome aboard Tom Gammons. He has been a big part in helping get the transfer station cleaned up and running smoothly again. I also want to thank YOU, the residents, for a great year and the kindness you show me. I think we have a special community. In closing, I just want to say, "Keep up the great work." As always, please feel free to ask ANY questions. There are no dumb questions. We want to inform you so we don't have to fish something out of the wrong bin.

Respectfully submitted,  
Scott Davis, Transfer Station Manager

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
(JULY 1, 2013 - JUNE 30, 2014)

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*Photo courtesy of Amy Sharpe*

After nine years as your Town Treasurer, I continue to be impressed by the financial soundness of our Town as well as the competence, friendliness and integrity of its employees.

We continue to invest all of our General Fund monies in local banks. One hundred percent of these funds earn competitive interest rates and are insured by the FDIC or collateralized by U.S. government securities. Our principal bank is Meredith Village Savings Bank.

Our Town has solid financial safeguards in place to minimize the potential for fraud. Our financial records are externally audited each year. All municipal checks require three signatures (Treasurer and two Selectmen). Every bill is reviewed by Walter Johnson, the Board of Selectmen and I before it is paid.

The following is a financial summary for fiscal year 2013-2014 prepared using cash-basis accounting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Todd Elgin, Town Treasurer



## TRUST FUND & CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

(July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014)

Fund	Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Interest Earned	Ending Balance
<b>TOWN OF HOLDERNESS</b>					
CEMETERY FUNDS	\$ 14,041.10			3.61	\$ 14,044.71
POLICE CRUISER	\$ 25,486.84	24,000.00	(32,000.00)	9.07	\$ 17,495.91
FIRE TRUCK	\$ 152,888.58	40,000.00	(175,000.00)	42.33	\$ 17,930.91
WHITE OAK POND FUND	\$ 11,678.70	1,000.00		3.30	\$ 12,682.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	\$ 71,584.90	5,000.00		18.68	\$ 76,603.58
ROAD CONSTRUCTION	\$ 118,373.78	150,000.00	(155,747.34)	46.76	\$ 112,673.20
TRANSFER STATION	\$ 1,003.68				\$ 1,003.68
SEWER CONSTRUCTION	\$ 2,535.54			1.60	\$ 2,537.14
GRANT APPLICATIONS	\$ 11,636.70			3.29	\$ 11,639.99
FOREST FIRE EXPENDABLE TRUST	\$ 17,641.25			4.45	\$ 17,645.70
EMERGENCY MGT EXPENSES	\$ 15,936.53			4.04	\$ 15,940.57
LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 22,015.41	5,000.00		6.24	\$ 27,021.65
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS FUND	\$ 37,926.60	30,000.00		13.20	\$ 67,939.80
TOWN REVALUATION FUND	\$ 43,567.31	35,000.00	(32,773.25)	15.12	\$ 45,809.18
FIRE EQUIPMENT FUND	\$ 1,934.75	5,000.00		0.90	\$ 6,935.65
VILLAGE SIDEWALKS FUND	\$ 1,163.48			-	\$ 1,163.48
PUBLIC WORKS CAP RESERVE	\$ 56,206.57	45,000.00	(75,000.00)	19.11	\$ 26,225.68
MASTER PLAN	\$ 7,150.12			1.78	\$ 7,151.90
RECREATION PATH MAINTENANCE	\$ 23,344.86			5.95	\$ 23,350.81
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INS. ACCT	\$ 15,904.17	17,000.00	(4,562.99)	6.06	\$ 28,347.24
TRANSFER STATION EQUIPMENT	\$ 38,130.97	2,000.00		9.92	\$ 40,140.89
ABATEMENT LEGAL DEFENSE	\$ 19,820.30	10,000.00		6.32	\$ 29,826.62
VETERANS HONOR ROLL MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,786.01			1.89	\$ 2,787.90
RAND GARDEN FUND	\$ 855.11			0.34	\$ 855.45
TOWN TECHNOLOGY FUND	\$ -	10,000.00	(6,765.00)	1.40	\$ 3,236.40
LIBRARY TECHNOLOGY FUND	\$ -	10,000.00	(7,778.50)	1.40	\$ 2,222.90
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 713,613.26</b>	<b>\$ 389,000.00</b>	<b>\$ (475,083.58)</b>	<b>\$ 226.76</b>	<b>\$ 613,212.94</b>
<b>HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL</b>					
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND	\$ 52,421.39			13.42	\$ 52,434.81
TECHNOLOGY	\$ 30,400.40	7,500.00		8.51	\$ 37,908.91
LAND PURCHASE FUND	\$ -				\$ -
BUILDING RENOVATIONS	\$ 145,741.04	40,000.00		40.72	\$ 185,781.76
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 228,562.83</b>	<b>\$ 47,500.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 62.65</b>	<b>\$ 276,125.48</b>

## TRUST AND CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

(July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014)

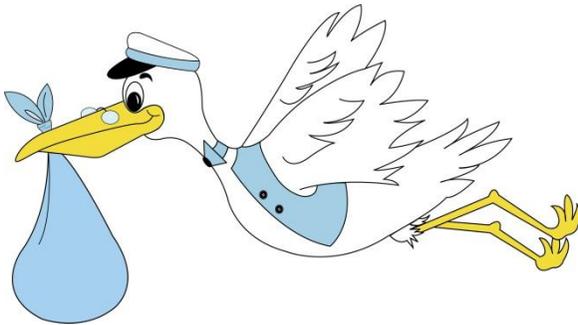
Fund	Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Interest Earned	Ending Balance
<b>PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST</b>					
SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$ 1,694.36			-	\$ 1,694.36
BUILDING FUND	\$ 1,615.03			-	\$ 1,615.03
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 3,309.39</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,309.39</b>
<b>PEMI-BAKER SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS</b>					
SPANISH CLUB	\$ 1,880.92		(200.00)	-	\$ 1,680.92
FRONCEK SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 2,507.47			-	\$ 2,507.47
ZOULIAS SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 32,644.19		(700.00)	8.10	\$ 31,952.29
LAWSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 6,873.00		(500.00)	1.52	\$ 6,374.52
PERSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 25,065.40			6.37	\$ 25,071.77
PAQUETTE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 2,938.09				\$ 2,938.09
ASH SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 3,405.95				\$ 3,405.95
DAWSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 9,126.90		(500.00)	2.61	\$ 8,629.51
MINICKIELLO SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 1,158.74				\$ 1,158.74
YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 9,017.21		(1,500.00)	2.35	\$ 7,519.56
BLAKE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 9,024.76			2.68	\$ 9,027.44
VOLPE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 7,212.93		(296.00)	2.03	\$ 6,918.96
LW PACKARD EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 12,937.78			3.41	\$ 12,941.19
AVERY SCHOLARSHIP PU	\$ 1,798.23		(200.00)		\$ 1,598.23
W. CARLETON ADAMS PR	\$ 29,286.44			7.42	\$ 29,293.86
FRENCH CLUB	\$ -				\$ -
BURKE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 6,070.44			1.16	\$ 6,071.60
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 160,948.45</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (3,896.00)</b>	<b>\$ 37.65</b>	<b>\$ 157,090.10</b>
TOTAL TOWN FUNDS					\$ 613,212.94
TOTAL HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL FUNDS					\$ 276,125.48
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL FUNDS					\$ 3,309.39
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER SCHOLARSHIPS					\$ 157,090.10
<b>TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS</b>					<b>\$ 1,049,737.91</b>

Respectfully Submitted,  
Trustees of the Trust Funds  
Bonnie Hunt, Chair  
Maurice Lafreniere  
Peter Woodward

## VITAL STATISTICS 2014 - BIRTHS

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July 30	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> <b>Gavin Clark Guyotte</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>David Guyotte</b>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> <b>Plymouth, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Kassi Guyotte</b>
September 6	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> <b>Louisa Allison Stepp</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Morgan Stepp</b>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> <b>Concord, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Lindsey Stepp</b>



We welcome our youngest residents to Holderness!

## VITAL STATISTICS 2014 - DEATHS

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January 25	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Ibra Royea</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Ibra Royea</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Manchester, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Agnes Proctor</b>
March 1	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Anthony Reed</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Custer Reed, Sr.</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Manchester, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Shirley Green</b>
May 4	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Nancy Grady</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Frank Webster</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Concord, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Polly Baldwin</b>
June 8	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Frederick Pickel, Jr.</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Frederick Pickel, Sr.</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Franklin, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Elizabeth Penders</b>
July 7	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>David Closson</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Henry Closson</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Elisabeth Dickinson</b>
September 13	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Daniel Currier</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Bertram Currier</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Lebanon, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Patricia Nelson</b>
October 23	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Carlton Messinger II</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>John Messinger</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Susan Rizzo</b>
November 15	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Brian Woodward</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Edsel Woodward</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Freider Jones</b>

## VITAL STATISTICS 2014 – DEATHS CONT'D

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December 15	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> <b>Bruce Levoy</b> <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> <b>Milan Levoy</b>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> <b>Plymouth, NH</b> <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> <b>Doris Sanborn</b>
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## VITAL STATISTICS 2014 - MARRIAGES

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June 7	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Anthony G. Mure</b> <b>Patricia H. Demers</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
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June 21	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Gregory M. Monaco</b> <b>Sidney B. Weymouth</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Virginia Beach, VA</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
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September 27	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Liam C. O'Brien</b> <b>Julia O. Stern</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
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October 25	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Jake M. Schaffner</b> <b>Jennifer A. Simpson</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
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December 20	<u>NAME &amp; SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE:</u> <b>Davy B. Williams</b> <b>Amy E. Greene</b>	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> <b>Holderness, NH</b> <b>Holderness, NH</b>
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## WELFARE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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The Welfare Department continues to work with clients in need. Even with the economy starting to take a turn for the better, because of the lack of full time sustainable employment, lack of self-employed employment, and fluctuating gasoline and oil prices, many individuals are forced to make challenging decisions. They must decide whether to feed their families, heat their homes, or pay their rent or mortgage payments. Throughout the year, I have worked with many respectful individuals in our community and have helped them through this hard time. Clients come to this office with many different situations and I have worked with each client to ensure they receive the help needed. Many individuals are referred to outside agencies and I am very grateful for all the support and assistance they have provided for my clients.

Eligibility for assistance is determined by having each individual complete an extensive application in order to provide an overview of the specific situation the client is in. Assistance is provided for an individual's basic necessities in accordance with State law and Town guidelines. The applicants who are found eligible are assisted with expenses such as food, heat, electricity, rent, prescription drugs, and other basic living and working needs. All applicants must have exhausted all other economic resources to be granted Town assistance. It is, and always will be, the goal of the Welfare Department to help its residents gain control over their lives, and to help them transition through very challenging times.

Heat and rental assistance is always the greatest expense each year as this is most individuals' largest monthly expense. Many clients pay for expenses that are the most manageable for their budget such as food, electricity, and gasoline which leave the other expenses hard to manage on a fixed or no income. Even with the help from other agencies, community members are continually struggling to make ends meet.

I again would like to thank the outside agencies for all the support and assistance they have provided to the community members in need. I have also enjoyed working closely with the members of the community to ensure they become successful individuals and receive the assistance needed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Krystal Alpers

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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In 2014, the Zoning Board heard 16 applications. The applications included fifteen Variances and two Special Exceptions (One application was for both a Variance and a Special Exception concurrently). There were no motions for rehearings. One Variance was determined unnecessary; one was withdrawn; and a third was denied. All other Variances and Special Exceptions were approved; some with conditions.



Zoning Boards have the authority to act on four types of appeals: Decisions by Administrative Officials in the interpretation or enforcement of the zoning ordinance; Special Exceptions for permitted land use as allowed by the zoning ordinance observing specific criteria; Variances to grant relief from specific provisions of the ordinance related to dimensional requirements and land use; and Equitable Waivers related to a dimensional layout issue.

The Board annually reviews and updates its Rules of Procedure which define the roles of the members and the process for conducting hearings as well as a review of the application form for ease of use by applicants.

The Board always welcomes new members and encourages anyone interested to attend a few meetings to become familiar with the process.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ivan Bass, Wendell Broom, Gary Johonnett, Gary Karp, Robert Maloney, Jude Ruhm, and Susan Webster, Chair.

# OFFICERS OF THE HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## **School Board**

## **Term Expires**

Bonnie Acton	2015
Carolyn Mello	2015
Christina Gribben	2016
Kelly Schwaner	2016
Joseph Casey	2017

### **CLERK**

Sara Weinberg

### **TREASURER**

Kathleen Whittemore

### **MODERATOR**

Malcolm “Tink” Taylor

### **AUDITOR**

Grzelak and Associates

### **SUPERINTENDENT**

Mark J. Halloran

### **ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT**

Ethel F. Gaides

### **ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT**

Kyla A. Welch

# HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL ELECTION WARRANT

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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Holderness qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said District on the tenth (10th) day of March, 2015 at 10:00 in the morning to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
2. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
3. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing two years.

Polls will not close before 7:00 p.m.

Given under our hands at said Holderness the 23rd day of February, 2015.

Bonni Acton  
Joseph Casey  
Christina Gribben  
Carolyn Mello  
Kelly Schwaner

A true copy of warrant attest:

Bonni Acton  
Joseph Casey  
Christina Gribben  
Carolyn Mello  
Kelly Schwaner

# HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL WARRANT

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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Holderness in the County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Holderness Central School in said District on Wednesday, the eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) day of March, 2015, at 6:30 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

- Article 1: To see what action the School District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers.
- Article 2: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for the purpose of technology upgrades. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required)
- Article 3: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for building renovations. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required)
- Article 4: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four million three hundred eighty-two thousand nine hundred fifty-four dollars (\$4,382,954) for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials, employees and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, this sum does not include the sums found in Articles 2 or 3. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Article 5: To transact any further business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands this 24th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen.

Bonni Acton  
Joseph Casey  
Christina Gribben  
Carolyn Mello  
Kelly Schwaner

Holderness School Board

A true copy of warrant attest:

Bonni Acton  
Joseph Casey  
Christina Gribben  
Carolyn Mello  
Kelly Schwaner

Holderness School Board

# HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET 2015-2016

Appropriations									
Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	
<b>Instruction</b>									
1100-1199	Regular Programs	4	\$1,900,850	\$1,846,590	\$1,783,189	\$0	\$1,783,189	\$0	
1200-1299	Special Programs	4	\$600,630	\$515,925	\$526,000	\$0	\$526,000	\$0	
1300-1399	Vocational Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
1400-1499	Other Programs	4	\$68,490	\$64,707	\$65,211	\$0	\$65,211	\$0	
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs	4	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
1600-1699	Adult/Continuing Education Programs	4	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
1700-1799	Community/Junior College Education Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
1800-1899	Community Service Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>Support Services</b>									
2000-2199	Student Support Services	4	\$269,189	\$289,197	\$299,789	\$0	\$299,789	\$0	
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	4	\$133,804	\$142,867	\$146,199	\$0	\$146,199	\$0	
<b>General Administration</b>									
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
2310 (840)	School Board Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
2310-2319	Other School Board	4	\$15,104	\$16,230	\$16,320	\$0	\$16,320	\$0	
<b>Executive Administration</b>									
2320 (310)	SAJ Management Services	4	\$202,852	\$233,892	\$228,782	\$0	\$228,782	\$0	
2320-2399	All Other Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
2400-2499	School Administration Service	4	\$222,863	\$285,240	\$290,196	\$0	\$290,196	\$0	
2500-2599	Business	4	\$328	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0	
2600-2699	Plant Operations and Maintenance	4	\$372,668	\$379,148	\$376,991	\$0	\$376,991	\$0	
2700-2799	Student Transportation	4	\$159,896	\$179,127	\$178,750	\$0	\$178,750	\$0	
2800-2999	Support Service, Central and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

# HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET 2015-2016

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
<b>Non-Instructional Services</b>								
3100	Food Service Operations	4	\$140,593	\$136,836	\$50,000	\$0	\$90,000	\$0
3200	Enterprise Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Facilities Acquisition and Construction</b>								
4100	Site Acquisition		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4200	Site Improvement		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4300	Architectural/Engineering		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4400	Educational Specification Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4500	Building Acquisition/Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4600	Building Improvement Services		\$40,923	\$273,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4900	Other Facilities Acquisition and Construction	4	\$0	\$0	\$95,800	\$0	\$95,800	\$0
<b>Other Outlays</b>								
5110	Debt Service - Principal	4	\$237,108	\$237,108	\$237,108	\$0	\$237,108	\$0
5120	Debt Service - Interest	4	\$41,587	\$32,365	\$23,118	\$0	\$23,118	\$0
<b>Fund Transfers</b>								
5220-5221	To Food Service	4	\$60,000	\$30,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue	4	\$51,367	\$1	\$1	\$0	\$1	\$0
5230-5239	To Capital Projects		\$47,500	\$47,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5254	To Agency Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Allocation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9990	Supplemental Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9992	Deficit Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Proposed Appropriations</b>			<b>\$4,565,752</b>	<b>\$4,710,233</b>	<b>\$4,382,954</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,382,954</b>	<b>\$0</b>

# HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET 2015-2016

## Special Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	School Board's Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)
5252	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	To Non-Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	2	\$0	\$0	\$7,500	\$0	\$7,500	\$0
Purpose: Technology Capital Reserve Fund								
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	3	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
Purpose: Building Renovation Capital Reserve Fund								
<b>Special Articles Recommended</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$57,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$57,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## Individual Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	School Board's Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)
<b>Individual Articles Recommended</b>								

## Revenues

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Revised Revenues Current Year	School Board's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Estimated Revenues
<b>Local Sources</b>					
1300-1349	Tuition	4	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
1400-1449	Transportation Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments	4	\$50	\$50	\$50
1600-1699	Food Service Sales	4	\$38,000	\$38,000	\$38,000
1700-1799	Student Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Service Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1900-1999	Other Local Sources	4	\$38,648	\$23,648	\$23,648
<b>State Sources</b>					
3210	School Building Aid	4	\$75,159	\$75,159	\$75,159
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Kindergarten Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3230	Catastrophic Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3240-3249	Vocational Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3250	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3260	Child Nutrition	4	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100
3270	Driver Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3290-3299	Other State Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0

# HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET 2015-2016

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
<b>Federal Sources</b>								
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants			\$26,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4540	Vocational Education			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4550	Adult Education			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4560	Child Nutrition	4		\$37,736	\$25,900	\$25,900	\$25,900	\$25,900
4570	Disabilities Programs			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4580	Medicaid Distribution	4		\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (non-4810)	4		\$0	\$41,000	\$41,000	\$41,000	\$41,000
4810	Federal Forest Reserve			\$467	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>								
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5140	Reimbursement Anticipation Notes			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5221	Transfer from Food Service Special Reserve Fund	4		\$30,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds			\$180,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9997	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes			\$31,325	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Estimated Revenues and Credits</b>				<b>\$508,485</b>	<b>\$279,857</b>	<b>\$279,857</b>	<b>\$279,857</b>	<b>\$279,857</b>

## Budget Summary

Item	Current Year	School Board Ensuing Year	Budget Committee Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$4,475,486	\$4,382,954	\$4,382,954
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$227,500	\$57,500	\$57,500
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$7,247	\$0	\$0
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$4,710,233	\$4,440,454	\$4,440,454
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$508,485	\$279,857	\$279,857
Estimated Amount of State Education Tax/Grant		\$0	\$0
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised for Education		\$4,160,597	\$4,160,597

**HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET**  
**2013-2014**

	General	Food Service	All Other	Capital Projects	Trust/ Agency
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Cash	183,965.37	(31,329.84)	(8,642.49)	0.00	0.00
Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	276,125.48
Interfund Receivables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intergov Receivables	3,973.73	10,084.83	8,642.49	0.00	0.00
Other Receivables	21,850.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prepaid Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>209,789.10</b>	<b>(21,245.01)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>276,125.48</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>					
Interfund Payables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intergovernment Payables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Payables	19,212.25	255.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Accrued Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Payroll Deductions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deferred Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>19,212.25</b>	<b>255.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Fund Equity</b>					
Res for Prepaid Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Res for Encumbrances	159,251.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Res for Special Purposes	0.00	(21,500.01)	0.00	0.00	276,125.48
Unreserved Fund Balance	31,324.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>190,576.85</b>	<b>(21,500.01)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>276,125.48</b>
<b>Total Liability &amp; Fund Equity</b>	<b>209,789.10</b>	<b>(21,245.01)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>276,125.48</b>

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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It is a pleasure to update you on the progress of the schools in SAU #48. We are very proud to serve as the educational leaders of this unique SAU and it is our good fortune to work with such a talented and dedicated faculty and staff.

Teachers in the areas of Science and English/ Language Arts have been working diligently to create a common alignment of curriculum K-12 through the process of master curriculum mapping. Adopting competencies and aligning multiple measures of assessments is a priority to ensure the delivery of high quality content to students. We will begin the process of curriculum alignment for all other subjects in 2015/16. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) initiatives have been integrated across the curriculum through various classrooms and after school programs. We continue to integrate 21st-century skills and content socially and academically by using reasoning and problem-solving skills to promote higher-level thinking, integrating technology in classrooms, library/media center, and technology labs to enhance instruction and performance.

Our students in grades 3-8 and 11 are gearing up to take the Smarter Balanced Assessment for the first time this spring. Students in grade 4, 8, and 11 are continuing to take the NECAP Science Assessment in the spring as well. Teachers continue to analyze multiple sources of data to plan and address the individual needs of students across the district.

SAU 48 continues to recognize the importance of the arts including collaboration between schools for musical performances, art shows, and cultural arts night. We are proud of the quality of our theatrical and musical performances across the district and SAU 48 students participation in community play performances, community service projects, regional athletic programs, and summer recreational programs.

All of our schools continue to update and refine security measures. We work with local and regional safety authorities to attempt to have our schools safe, welcoming and exciting places to learn, work and play.

Our buildings function as community centers in many of our towns and we strive to offer a safe, clean and comfortable environment for our residents.

Please accept our sincerest thanks for the support you show our schools. We believe our schools reflect the unique and individual characteristics of the towns they serve.



*Plymouth Regional High School*

As always, we welcome your input, comments and questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Halloran  
Superintendent

Ethel Gaides  
Asst. Superintendent

Kyla Welch  
Asst. Superintendent

## **HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT**

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Preventing the spread of the flu at the Holderness Central School (HCS) is always a priority. We offered the flu vaccine to the students in September and had 38% participation. Additionally, the HCS staff had the opportunity to receive the flu vaccine at school through the Local Government Center. With the flu season upon us, I have been in the classrooms teaching proper hand washing which is the most basic step in preventing the spread of the flu.

Spere Memorial Hospital (SMH) continues to sponsor the dental health clinic at the school. Ruth Doane provided dental screenings, cleanings, sealants, and fluoride varnish to students at HCS in the fall and she will be back again in the spring.

SAU 48 school nurses meet monthly to discuss policies and share information. Usually we invite a guest speaker to discuss relevant health topics. This year SMH has teamed up with Plymouth Pediatrics and SAU 48 to promote the "5-2-1-0" program to help in preventing childhood obesity. Please take a moment to visit the Wellness page on the HCS website or look for posters around the school explaining the program.

Wellness Week was a success last year and the kids really had a blast. We danced every day after receiving dance instruction from PSU students. We had a different smoothie daily made with lots of different fruits, veggies and other healthy choices. We also had walking and hula hoop contests. To build upon our wellness successes, this year we are hosting "Wellness Wednesday's" during lunch time. We offer wellness educational activities at lunch like singing songs, short videos and games.

HCS purchased exercise mats and is offering yoga classes for students on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 7:50 during the winter months. It has been successful so far with as many as twenty-two students participating.

As the school nurse, I will be available as a resource to students, parents and teachers.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kim Johnstone, BSN, RN  
School Nurse

## HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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*Holderness Central School*

Holderness Central School (HCS) continues to take pride in the tradition of offering an educational experience driven by strong academics combined with an integrated Unified Arts program. The school welcomed Mrs. Cynthia Bruno as the new Middle School math teacher. As a result of realigning and reducing a support staff position, we welcomed two part-time recess and cafeteria assistants, Mrs. Vicki Bradley and Mrs. Joan Maguire. We also welcomed two new custodians to the staff, Mr. Eric Smith and Ms. Susan Axon.

Holderness Central School is not unlike other schools in SAU 48 when it comes to the fluctuation in enrollment. The school continues to adjust and respond in meeting the needs of our students. In our elementary grades, we foster the climate of small classes. Using the existing intermediate team model, our fourth and fifth grade students are taught by a team of teachers who specialize in a specific content area, while our kindergarten through grade three students remain in a self-contained classroom setting. Using existing faculty, we embrace the new Common Core State Standards and created a Response to Intervention (RTI) system that provides academic support for students who are struggling with these new standards. The system allows students to receive individual or small group skill intervention during the school day and focuses on the newly adopted reading and math standards.

Our teachers and students continue to focus on the implementation of our math program, In-Focus Math, commonly known as Singapore Math. We are in our third year of implementation and have seen significant growth in mathematical

conceptual knowledge. In addition, we have implemented our new reading series to students in grades kindergarten through six. The reading series, “Wonders,” provides students the necessary components to build a strong foundation in reading and language arts. Our teachers continue to work closely with others throughout the SAU as this program is implemented in several other schools within the district.

The Middle School continues to provide a rigorous academic program designed to meet the needs of our middle level learners and their preparation for life beyond HCS. The team model remains the approach teachers use to meet the academic and social needs. We remain focused on more teaching time in the content areas while embracing the enrichment program that offers students in grades seven and eight the opportunity to choose a class of their interest. Students in grade six are an integrated part of the newly adopted reading series and are taught reading in addition to their language arts class. The enrichment program provides students with choices consisting of music, history, and math and science exploration. These classes focus on specific topics of interest while reinforcing reading strategies through the content areas. The enrichment program remains a popular learning experience for students as it allows them to examine a particular area of interest in more depth.

This past summer, Holderness Central School received a tremendous building renovation to the gymnasium. The project provided the school and Town a facility with a new wood floor, newly installed bleachers, backboards, a scoreboard and stage curtain. In addition, new stage lighting and sound were added to support our music and theatre programs.

In closing, I would like to thank the Holderness Community for its continued support of the school. I remain committed to the community of Holderness, the students, parents and staff at Holderness Central School.

Respectfully submitted,  
William J. Van Bennekum, Principal

**HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES  
OF MARCH 13, 2014**

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On the advice of legal counsel, and under the provisions of RSA 671:33 (III), Sara Weinberg, as School District Clerk called the annual Holderness School District meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the absence of Moderator Laura Rollison. Mrs. Weinberg announced that the School Board has nominated Malcolm “Tink” Taylor to serve as School District Moderator, pro tem, for the purpose of presiding over this meeting without objection. Moderator Taylor asked Alden “Skip” Van Sickle to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Shelagh Connelly made a motion to wave reading the Warrant Articles in their entirety, seconded by Walter Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.

**Article 1:** To see what action the School District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers.

Moved by Andy Hancock, seconded by Walter Johnson. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

**Article 2:** To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Holderness School Board and the Holderness Support Staff Association which calls for the following increases in the salary and benefits:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2014-2015	\$7,247.00
2015-2016	\$6,752.00
2016-2017	\$6,690.00

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand two hundred forty-seven dollars (\$7,247.00) for the 2014-2015 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional cost attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Scott King, seconded by Alden “Skip” Van Sickle. Dan Rossner, Business Administrator for SAU #48 explained that this agreement includes a 3 percent wage increase and paid holidays for staff. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

**Article 3:** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500.00) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for the purpose of technology upgrades. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Sara Hixon, seconded by Andy Hancock. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

**Article 4:** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for building renovations. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moved by Walter Johnson, seconded by Alden “Skip” Van Sickle. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

**Article 5:** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$180,000.00) for renovations to the multi-purpose room at the school and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the School Board to withdraw said amount from the Capital Reserve Fund. There will be no new taxes raised for this article. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moved by Frances Taylor, seconded by Alden “Skip” Van Sickle. Jon Francis, SAU #48 Facilities Director, was given permission to speak under unanimous consent. Mr. Francis explained that renovations will include replacing the floor with a material that has yet to be decided on by the School Board, replacing the bleachers, score board, stage, curtains, sound system, lighting, doors, frames and plumbing. The floor is 20 years old and is wearing through. The new score board will be free of advertising. A voice vote was taken and the article passed.

**Article 6:** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four million four hundred seventy-five thousand four hundred eighty-six dollars (\$4,475,486.00) for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials, employees and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, this sum does not include the sums found in Articles 2,3,4 and 5. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Walter Johnson, seconded by Andy Hancock. Under unanimous consent Principal William Van Bennekum was permitted to speak. Principal Van

Bennekum explained that new text books will be purchased under a common core curriculum. This will adjust the reading program and replace the current Kindergarten through fifth grade textbooks bringing the new curriculum into alignment with the rest of the district. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

**Article 7:** Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 198:4-b (II) and authorize, indefinitely until specific rescission, the school district to retain year-end unassigned general funds in an amount not to exceed, in any fiscal year, 2.5 percent of the current year's net assessment pursuant to RSA 198:5, for the purpose of having funds on hand to use as a revenue source for emergency expenditures and over expenditures under RSA 32:11, or to be used as a revenue source to reduce the tax rate? The School Board recommends this article.

Moved by Bruce Whitmore, seconded by Andy Hancock. Select board member Peter Webster explained that this article will give the school district the same authorization that the town has. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

**Article 8:** To transact any further business which may legally come before the meeting.

Moved by Bruce Whitmore, seconded by Alden "Skip" Van Sickle. With no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was accepted to adjourn at 7:14 p.m. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sara Weinberg, School District Clerk, Holderness

**HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**SPECIAL EDUCATION ACTUAL EXPENDITURE REPORT**

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	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year
	2012/2013	2013/2014
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Expenditures	\$777,175	\$811,791
Revenues	\$118,773	\$122,974
Net Expenditures	<hr/> \$658,442	<hr/> \$688,817
\$ increase/decrease		\$30,374
% increase/decrease		4.61%

# AUDITOR'S REPORT

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## PLODZIK & SANDERSON *Professional Association / Accountants & Auditors*

February 9, 2015

To the members of the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Holderness  
P.O. Box 203  
Holderness, NH 03245

Dear Members of the Board:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Holderness for the year ended June 30, 2014. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated April 28, 2014. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

### Significant Audit Findings

#### *Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices*

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Town of Holderness are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during 2013-2014. We noted no transactions entered into by the Town of Holderness during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate affecting the Town of Holderness' financial statements was:

Management's estimate of the useful lives of capital assets is based on historical information and industry guidance. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the useful lives of capital assets in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

#### *Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit*

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

#### *Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements*

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to each opinion unit's financial statements taken as a whole.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT CONTINUED

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### *Disagreements with Management*

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

### *Management Representations*

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated February 6, 2015.

### *Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants*

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Town's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

### *Other Audit Findings or Issues*

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Town's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

During our review of internal control procedures, we noted a lack of segregation of duties over the cash receipts process. The same individual receiving funds for the deposit and creating the cash receipts log is also bringing the funds to the bank for deposit. It is recommended that another individual bring the funds to the bank for deposit.

During our review of internal controls over payroll procedures, we noted that there is no formal documentation and approval of annual pay increases for employees. Without adequate supporting documentation and formal approval, pay increases may not be substantiated. We recommend that all pay increases, per the annual operating budget, be summarized on a spreadsheet and formal approval be obtained from the Board of Selectmen.

### Other Matters

We were engaged to report on the combining and individual fund statements, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

### Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Selectmen and management of Town of Holderness and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,



PLODZIK & SANDERSON  
Professional Association

## BALANCE SHEET- TOWN OF HOLDERNESS

*EXHIBIT C-1*  
**TOWN OF HOLDERNESS, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
*Governmental Funds*  
**Balance Sheet**  
*June 30, 2014*

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,682,174	\$ 44,748	\$ 4,726,922
Investments	1,111,538	14,045	1,125,583
Taxes receivable	1,100,574	-	1,100,574
Voluntary tax liens	17,668	-	17,668
Voluntary tax liens reserved until collected	(17,668)	-	(17,668)
Total assets	<u>\$ 6,894,286</u>	<u>\$ 58,793</u>	<u>\$ 6,953,079</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts payable	\$ 23,768	\$ -	\$ 23,768
Accrued salaries and benefits	94,911	-	94,911
Due to other governments	3,838,491	-	3,838,491
Total liabilities	<u>3,957,170</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,957,170</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Unavailable revenue - Property taxes	1,157,857	-	1,157,857
Unavailable revenue - Donations	11,904	-	11,904
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>1,169,761</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,169,761</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>			
Nonspendable	-	4,750	4,750
Restricted	-	9,295	9,295
Committed	745,761	44,748	790,509
Assigned	9,763	-	9,763
Unassigned	1,011,831	-	1,011,831
Total fund balances	<u>1,767,355</u>	<u>58,793</u>	<u>1,826,148</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 6,894,286</u>	<u>\$ 58,793</u>	<u>\$ 6,953,079</u>

## CADY

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Communities for Alcohol- and Drug-free Youth (CADY) would like to express our deep appreciation to the citizens of Holderness for your 2014 appropriation for youth substance abuse prevention. Since 1999, our community education, youth development programs, partnerships, trainings and outreach have been shattering myths about illicit drug use and underage drinking with science-based facts. CADY's work promotes the vital relationships and connections youth need to grow and thrive and the tools needed to prevent the harms of substance abuse.

It's hard to pick up the paper or turn on the TV these days without reading or hearing about the drug epidemic we are experiencing here in New Hampshire. Illegal drug use is directly linked to some of our toughest social problems such as academic failure, addiction, crime, unemployment, low productivity and absenteeism in the workplace, high health care and criminal justice costs as well as homelessness and overdose deaths. The need for a local safety net is great.

In the midst of continuing challenges, 2014 was a year of progress for CADY in our mission to prevent and reduce youth substance abuse and to promote healthy environments and promising futures. Our important work could not be accomplished without the participation and dedication of so many. As a non-profit, we achieve progress through the efforts of dedicated volunteers and community investment from the towns we serve. We believe every child from Holderness deserves the opportunity to live up to his or her full potential and we dedicate ourselves to that end. One significant and noteworthy accomplishment from the last year was the receipt of the "2014 NH Prevention Provider of the Year" award. We share that honor with you as our important work would not move forward without our many collaborations in the Town of Holderness.

In the midst of these forward movements, however, this year marked significant statewide and local problems with the emerging heroin-related overdose crisis. As part of our response, last May, we had Commander Scott Sweet of the Attorney General's Drug Task Force speak at our 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Prevention Summit on the dangerous heroin resurgence and its related problems. Two hundred local citizens, educators, elected officials, law enforcement, health care, and social service professionals, and community members were in attendance. We are committed to continuing this vital conversation in 2015 to explore local solutions to this growing epidemic.

To see 2014 program numbers and local youth participating in skill-building activities in our acclaimed LAUNCH Youth Entrepreneurship Program and Youth Advisory and Advocacy Council (YAAC), please go to our website at

[www.cadyinc.org](http://www.cadyinc.org). Both programs are proven effective at developing goal setting, strong leadership skills, healthy choices, and life success. We cannot show you the faces of the 149 youth who have transformed their lives as a result of our Restorative Justice Program, but please know that this vital court diversion program continues to give high-risk youth a second chance to make restitution to victims of juvenile crime and turn their lives around.

While we are proud of our many successes, we have a long way to go. Still too many young people are engaging in dangerous risk behaviors. In these challenging economic times, support from the Town of Holderness is more important than ever and is greatly appreciated. This is our chance to thank you for your partnership—and for sharing our vision of drug-free communities— together we will continue to make a powerful difference for our children and prevent the harms and high costs associated with substance use.

Sincerely,  
Deb Naro, Executive Director

# EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR

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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE Executive Council

**JOSEPH D. KENNEY**  
EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR  
DISTRICT ONE



STATE HOUSE ROOM 207  
107 NORTH MAIN STREET  
CONCORD, NH 03301  
(603) 271-3632

January 2015

As I start my 2nd year of service to you and the State of New Hampshire in Council District 1, I am reminded of the wonderful 35 years of service that the previous Councilor Raymond S. Burton gave to the people of New Hampshire. He will be deeply missed but not forgotten.

Governor Maggie Hassan has just been re-elected and I will work with her and the NH Legislature to solve problems, large or small, for the people of New Hampshire. Economic development is my top priority for the Northern most Council District and I will work with community and business leaders to assist in the creation of jobs and economic opportunity. County and regional economic development councils coupled with community action agencies will be putting forth new initiatives to carry out this work and I look forward to working with them.

The NH Congressional Delegation - Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Senator Kelly Ayotte, Congresswoman Annie Kuster and Congressman Frank Guinta in joining with other New England states and Canadian officials can cause new resources and partnerships to be created to support job growth.

2015 will start another year of the 10-year NH Highway Transportation Planning process working through the Regional Planning Commissions. National Infrastructure Investments (as known as TIGER Discretionary Grants), provide a unique opportunity to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects. The Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grants replace the Transportation Enhancement (TE) for Recreational Trails, and Safe Routes to School. Contact William Watson at NH DOT for details at 271-3344 or [bwatson@dot.state.nh.us](mailto:bwatson@dot.state.nh.us).

The 2015 session of the NH House and Senate will be a trying time with proposed cutbacks yet still providing and meeting constitutional and statutory needs. Be watchful of proposed legislation passing costs on to the county and local levels of government. Stay close to your local state senator and house members.

The Governor and Council are always looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of boards and commissions. If you are interested please send your resume to Governor Maggie Hassan, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301 attention Jennifer Kuzma Director of Appointments/Liaison or at (603) 271-2121. A complete list is available at the NH Secretary of State website at [www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm](http://www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm).

My office has available informational items: NH Constitutions, tourist maps, consumer handbooks, etc. I periodically send, via email, a list of my schedule for the week. Send me your email address to be added to the list if you would like at [Joseph.Kenney@nh.gov](mailto:Joseph.Kenney@nh.gov).

Contact my office any time I can be of assistance to you.

Joe

## FRIENDS OF THE PEMI

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*Photo courtesy of Walter Johnson*

In August of 1992, the State of New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED) purchased 41.8 acres using LCIP money to “secure permanent protection of Livermore Falls...in the towns of Holderness, Campton and Plymouth including over two miles of frontage on both sides of the Pemigewasset River around the gorge.” This site is beautiful and marked by historic features including the nation's only remaining site of a Berlin Iron Works Company "below deck" double-span lenticular truss ("pumpkinseed"), Towne-type truss bridge built by the three Towns in 1885. The remains of a pulp mill and the state's first fish hatchery (1788) are visible and invite historical inquiry.

Livermore Falls and its gorge are 584 feet above sea level. Formerly known as Little's Falls after settler, Moses Little, in 1771, the area was renamed for Judge Arthur Livermore after he bought the property in 1827 and built the Riverview Hotel there. There followed an entire community.

The very first initiative for saving and rededicating the area came from a study of “townscapes” around Holderness by the University of Rhode Island in the 1960s. This led to establishment of the first Livermore Falls Gorge Study Commission.

In 1978, Energy Resources Company of Cambridge, Massachusetts proposed that Livermore Falls be dammed for hydropower purposes. This resulted in a detailed study of the river's hydrology/geology by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The project was met with overwhelming public opposition and was never approved. Our two U.S. Senators are presently working to retrieve all the data that were developed. A lesser, "run-of-the-river," hydro project was also opposed.

There remain the ruins of what once was a paper pulp mill on the west side taking its power from the river flowage. Built in 1888 and operated by the J.E. Henry Company in Lincoln, later Parker Young and Franconia Paper, it closed in the early 1950s at about the time the bridge was cut loose so no one would cross. In 1973, the dam and powerhouse were destroyed by flood.

The gorge and falls are bordered to the east by the Livermore Falls State Forest. The Holderness side with its sand outwash and island is a very popular recreation area with excellent fishing, swimming, and tubing down the river.

The challenge over the years has been to keep this area clean, safe, and enjoyable for public use. However, this state-owned property did not get enough attention from the state and enforcement issues increasingly fell to the three Towns. Toward that end, in April 2012, Holderness Police Chief Patridge enlisted Executive Councilor Ray Burton to coordinate a gathering of stakeholders to determine how to deal with the increasing undesirable activities. Since this first meeting, great progress has been made and the efforts have shifted from a focus on enforcement to stewardship and community engagement. Specifically a *Friends of the Pemi*, Livermore Falls Chapter, was formed including over ninety stakeholders, from all three Towns who are all determined to help preserve the land, water and environment along the Pemi River corridor. The Plymouth Rotary Club has assumed the coordination and fiscal agent role for the Friends group.

The section of the Pemi for this *Friends* group starts up at the top of Livermore Falls with the historic "pumpkinseed bridge" and meanders down to the Rotary Amphitheater in Riverside Park next to the Courthouse in Plymouth.

During 2013, various clean-up days were organized and there were significant coordination activities among the stakeholders. During 2014, two community visioning sessions were held to define the future potential of the area. Livermore Falls became a State Park and responsibility was formally transferred from NH

Fish and Game to NH DRED. Improvements have been made including signage, picnic tables, grills, and bike racks. And, increased supervision has encouraged more family-friendly use of the Holderness beach.

Future improvements include interpretive signage, better parking, continued supervision and a website which will present significant historical, environmental and recreational information to the public. As the result of a settlement between the State and a local wind farm operator, \$150,000 has been earmarked for use at Livermore Falls to fund a portion of these proposed improvements. The *Friends* group will also engage in raising funds for these improvements.

If you are interested in learning more about this new state park, in joining the *Friends* group, or in donating to future improvements, please contact Walter Johnson or Ken Evans, or check our Facebook page.



*Livermore Beach*  
*Photo courtesy of Walter Johnson*



Respect    Advocacy    Integrity    Stewardship    Excellence

Thank you for investing in Genesis Behavioral Health, your community mental health center. The appropriation we received from the Town of Holderness' 2014 budget helped support the cost of providing emergency mental health care to the residents of your Town. Genesis Behavioral Health is available to provide 24/7 emergency services to residents of Holderness experiencing mental health crises, regardless of their ability to pay.

During Fiscal Year 2014 (July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014), we served **46 Holderness residents and provided emergency services to seven Holderness residents**. We provided **\$15,451.96 in charity care**.

Access to mental health care has been identified as a priority community need for southern Grafton County. Reduced access to treatment leads to increased demand on many of the systems in our community, including emergency rooms, law enforcement, first responders, courts, corrections, schools and municipalities like yours. The economic cost of untreated mental illness is more than \$100 billion each year in the United States, causing unnecessary disability, unemployment, substance abuse, homelessness, inappropriate incarceration, suicide and wasted lives (National Alliance on Mental Illness, 2011).

Your investment is critical to the sustainability of the Emergency Services program. The repercussions of reduced funding and limited access to mental health care are devastating for our communities. Mental health treatment helps people foster fulfilling, relationships, maintain stable employment and lead productive lives. Genesis Behavioral Health improved the health of 3,642 individuals last year. On behalf of all of them, we thank you.

Sincerely,  
Margaret M. Pritchard, Executive Director

## **GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.**

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Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well-being of our communities' older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The council operates eight senior centers and sponsors the Grafton County ServiceLink Resource Center; RSVP; and the Volunteer Center. Through these organizations, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, community dining programs, transportation, outreach and counseling, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2013-14, 95 older residents of Holderness were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Plymouth Regional Senior Center; 15 were assisted by ServiceLink:

- Older adults from Holderness enjoyed 1,053 balanced meals in the company of friends in the Plymouth Center's dining room.
- They received 1,188 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Holderness residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 37 occasions by our lift-equipped busses.
- They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 121 visits with a trained outreach worker.
- Holderness' citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 625 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Holderness residents in 2013-14 was \$24,905.10. Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for older friends and neighbors.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Holderness' support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner, Executive Director

## HOLDERNESS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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The Holderness Historical Society thanks the Town and our members for financial support. This year we provided two programs with over a hundred people attending. Several hundred people toured the museum. We have continued to maintain and upgrad our museum and have special exhibits.

**PROGRAMS** - This year we did not receive grants from the New Hampshire Humanities Council for our programs and had to fund them through our own resources.

- ❖ The Old Man of the Mountain: Substance and Symbol - Maggie Stier
- ❖ The Crime of Witchcraft: What the Primary Sources Tell Us - Margo Burns

### MUSEUM BUILDING -

- ❖ Maintained and updated a research/library area to allow people to research families, cemeteries, camps, historical events, and places.
- ❖ Our 1861 building had not had major work since it was moved from Perch Pond Road to Curry Place in 1994. The old windows were re-glazed, caulked and painted. Some exterior re-staining was done. That project will be completed in June after some rotten boards are replaced.
- ❖ Upgraded our security system (fire and burglar alarm).

### HISTORICAL PROJECTS -

- ❖ Produced biannual newsletters with articles of local history.
- ❖ Provided help with genealogy research on Holderness residents.
- ❖ Sold books and old maps of Squam Lake and Holderness.
- ❖ Presented a special exhibit - *Photos of Holderness and Squam Lakes through the last 135 years.*
- ❖ Expanded our collection with the donation of approximately 16 artifacts.

### COMMUNITY -

- ❖ Hosted the White Oak Pond Watershed Association. Our large meeting room and kitchen are available free of charge to Holderness community groups.
- ❖ Provided school tours of the museum in October to third graders of the Holderness Central School who expanded our scavenger hunt for visitors to the museum.
- ❖ Worked with flowers on the bridge and the Summer Celebration.
- ❖ Have kept our website updated - [www.holdernesshistoricalsociety.org](http://www.holdernesshistoricalsociety.org).

## **FUTURE -**

- ❖ We will continue to be a seasonal organization with public programs and meetings May through October.
- ❖ School tours will continue to be available in May, June, September, and October.
- ❖ We will continue the cataloging of our books and pamphlets and plan to expand materials in our research/library area to make researching families, cemeteries, camps, and other historical events and places simpler.
- ❖ Next summer there will again be a special exhibit in the museum.
- ❖ The Plymouth Historical Society will be transferring whatever Livermore Falls artifacts they have to the Holderness Historical Society including a 3' x 5' mural of the last log drive on the Pemi.

The Holderness Historical Society needs more volunteers to help preserve the history of our town. Please consider joining our work!

Respectfully submitted,

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Missy Mason - Treasurer  
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## LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

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The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is an organization created by Lakes Region communities according to state law for the broad purpose of responding to and shaping the pressures of change in a meaningful way. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. As our economy and world change, so does the work we are engaged in. The Commission offers direct and support services to help our communities meet tomorrow's challenges. Our services include technical assistance, geographic information systems, transportation planning, land use, environmental planning, hazards planning and economic development. Local, state, and federal resources primarily fund the LRPC. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our overall goal is to provide support, knowledge, and guidance to the governments, businesses, and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Some of the services provided on behalf of the Town of Holderness and the region in the past fiscal year are noted below:

**OUTREACH  
REGIONAL SERVICES  
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE  
EDUCATION  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
TRANSPORTATION**

For more information, please visit our website at, [www.lakesrpc.org](http://www.lakesrpc.org).

## MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

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The annual Memorial Day Service took place on Monday, May 26, 2014. The service took place in front of the Holderness Honor Roll Monument on the Library grounds. Select Board member Shelagh Connelly welcomed the community and reminded all of the service and sacrifice of those who served our country protecting our freedoms.

The Dupuis-Cross Post 15 American Legion honored veterans in a solemn and respectful ceremony which included the Ladies Auxiliary recitation of “Flanders Fields.” The Commander led the event and the Chaplain offered a prayer for all veterans before the Sergeant-at-Arms placed the memorial wreath on the Monument. The three gun volley to salute the dead reminded all of the seriousness of their sacrifice. The final bugle rendition of taps performed by Tim Hazelton was truly moving. The Holderness Central School band played Star Spangled Banner and Procession of the Heroes, and closed the ceremony with a performance by the band and chorus of the Gettysburg Address.

The event was respectful and ceremonious, and many people from the community took part in honoring service members. The memorial ended with children placing red and white carnations on all the veterans’ graves in the Bridge Cemetery.

Following the Memorial Day remembrance, the Holderness Library held its annual Book & Bake Sale which was, as usual, a nice social event.

The Holderness Central School 4<sup>th</sup> grade class was once again responsible for planting the red, white and blue flowers around the Monument, continuing this annual tradition to help the students appreciate Memorial Day and contribute to the event through this service.

The community did not know it at the time, but this was the last of many years that Bruce Levoy would care for the Monument and place flags for the event. He passed in December and will be remembered for his caring of and dedication to the Honor Roll Monument.

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation’s service.

## NORTHEAST RESOURCE RECOVERY ASSOCIATION

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As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), Holderness has access to all the services of this first-in-the-nation, 33 year old, recycling cooperative. Services include:

- Up-to-date technical assistance in waste reduction and recycling including solid waste contract negotiations;
- Cooperative marketing to maximize pricing and cooperative purchasing to minimize costs;
- Current market conditions and latest recycling trends, both regionally and nationwide;
- Innovative programs (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream);
- Educational and networking opportunities through an annual recycling conference, bi-weekly “Full of Scrap” email news, monthly marketing meetings, members' only website, workshops and fall facility tours;
- School recycling club - a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts;
- NH DES continuing education credits;
- NH the Beautiful signs, grants, bins and recyclemobiles.

NRRA, as a non-profit organization, is unique in that it does not charge a “brokerage fee” or work to maximize profit gains, but rather has a minimal “Co-op Fee” which is re-invested to further recycling programs and solid waste reduction efforts in schools and municipalities. NRRA can be contacted at 800-223-0150, 603-736-4401 or [www.nrera.net](http://www.nrera.net)

# NORTHEAST RESOURCE RECOVERY ASSOCIATION

## Holderness, NH

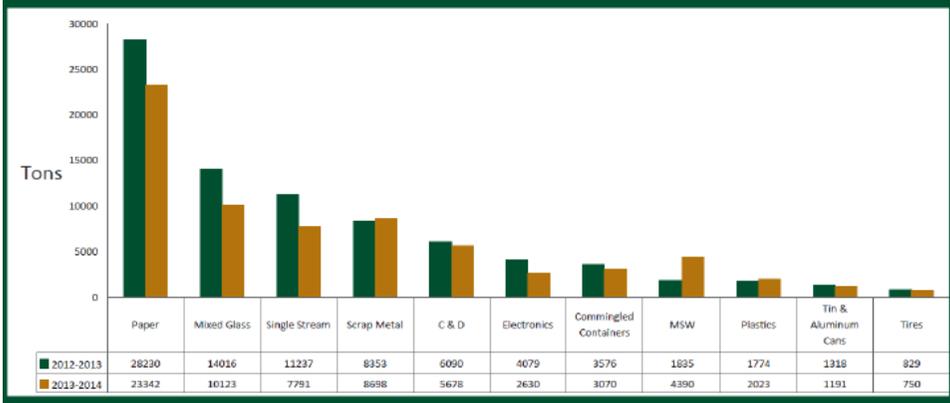
Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact this recycling has had on your environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling organization, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2014	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.
Electronics	19,035 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to power 3.2 houses for one year!
Scrap Metal	39.98 gross tons	Conserved 39,902 pounds of coal!

## NRRA Marketing Tonnages



## PEMI-BAKER COMMUNITY HEALTH (PBCH)

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HOME HEALTH • HOSPICE • REHAB THERAPIES • AQUATIC & FITNESS

**Pemi-Baker Community Health (PBCH)** is a non-profit offering home health, hospice, outpatient rehab, aquatic & fitness memberships, and community services. Our mission is *to improve the health and wellbeing of the communities by providing excellence in health care services through outreach, in-home and facility based programming.*

Health is not a moment in time, but an ongoing adventure. Decisions about being healthy happen from the day we are born until the day we die. PBCH's programs assist members of our community in this journey to become and stay healthy through life and with Hospice we can make the end of life journey one of hope, and dignity while putting the patient/family in the driver's seat. Most of our community members would choose to remain healthy at home and many have been able to realize this possibility.

Town funds are used to match grant funding, to provide services to those with limited or no ability to pay and to augment (as in Hospice care) the cost of services that are not covered through third party payers. The agency is dependent upon charitable donations and town funds to continue to provide services. Our website [www.pbhha.org](http://www.pbhha.org) is a resource for the many programs offered at PBCH. Pemi-Baker Community Health is interested in the complete health of the community.

Our primary services are:

- ∞ **Home Health** (nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, social work, LNAs, and nutritional counseling) – in the home setting
- ∞ **Hospice** (nursing, therapy, social work, hospice director, and LNAs) – in the home setting
- ∞ **Outpatient Therapy** (Physical, Occupational, and Aquatic Therapy) – available on site

Supplemental Programs offered:

- ∞ Drop In Bereavement Group
- ∞ Mindfulness/Meditation for Grief/Loss
- ∞ Evidence Based Chronic Illness Management
- ∞ Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Better Balance
- ∞ Health Fair
- ∞ Women's Day of Wellness
- ∞ Gym and Aquatics Memberships
- ∞ American Red Cross Swim Classes
- ∞ Foot Clinics
- ∞ Blood Pressure Clinics
- ∞ Flu Shot Clinics
- ∞ Nutrition Classes
- ∞ Health Presentations
- ∞ Aquatics Fitness Classes
- ∞ Water Babies Swim Classes
- ∞ Adult Learn to Swim Lessons

Our success is thanks to our skilled, passionate, client focused staff that provide professional care with a personal touch and to a community who has supported us in so many ways. We are pleased to be part of this community and touching lives: yours, your families, and your neighbor's with a customer oriented, client centered approach in a partnership to improve health and lives.

Thank you for all your support!

Chandra Engelbert, RN, BSN, MBA  
Executive Director

## **PEMIGEWASSET RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRLAC)**

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**KEY EVENTS** – The Pemigewasset River continues to demonstrate its value as an attraction to our region. This is evidenced by small businesses such as outdoor outfitters actively promoting the river regionally for organized canoe, kayak, and associated activities of value to the tourist community. It is also evident in the decision of the New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development to support the effort of Friends of the Pemi Livermore Falls Chapter to create a state park along the Falls segment of the Pemi. Even wildlife has responded to the lure of the river with several eagles taking up summer residence, and often seen competing with osprey, heron, and others for river fare. What is most important to the river’s wide range of users? It’s overall water quality, of course.

Key indicators of river health are 1) dissolved oxygen; 2) specific conductance; 3) turbidity; 4) pH; and, 5) temperature. PRLAC’s volunteer water quality teams are out bi-weekly testing the indicators of water quality from April into September. Sampling takes place at nine stations. This effort is supported by NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) Volunteer River Assessment Program in Concord. The stations are authorized by DES and the test data are officially part of its statewide report on surface water quality to the EPA. PRLAC periodically gathers lab samples for E coli/Phosphorous in high recreation areas. Some water quality observations noted in the 2014 season included river pH, although modestly improved, remains on the acidic side of the state standard; water temperature appears to be somewhat warmer; and turbidity “spikes” are often seen after significant precipitation events, an indication that sediment and organic matter are flushing into the river. All other indicators were fine and consistent with the Pemi’s historical profile.

PRLAC just completed its 13<sup>th</sup> year of water quality testing on the Pemi. PRLAC members logged over 200 volunteer hours in ongoing activities; water testing, permit application site visits, outreach, meetings and workshops. Member miles traveled in support of this effort is estimated to be 572. Our primary focus is on eight corridor towns from Thornton to Hill. All of these towns supported PRLAC in 2014. PRLAC receives administrative and technical support from the Lakes Region Planning Commission.

**LOOKING AHEAD** - The news is full these days of water-related disasters around the country – major flooding, green lakes, failures of industry to protect critical drinking water sources, etc. A major problem is stormwater runoff. In New Hampshire, about 80% of current surface water impairments can be traced to stormwater runoff. Mitigation of this problem continues to be a PRLAC priority. PRLAC meets on the last Tuesday of most months, January – November, 7:00 P.M. in Plymouth’s Pease Public Library. All are encouraged to attend. For information, go to <http://www.lakesrpc.org/prlac/prlacindex.asp>.

Max Stamp, Chair

## **“RESTORING” MERGED LOTS UNDER HB 316**

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### **Notice to Property Owners**

If you own real estate lots that were involuntarily merged by municipal action, you may be able to have those lots restored to their pre-merger status.

In 2010, the State Legislature responded to the NH Supreme Court decision in Sutton v. Gilford, 160 N.H. 43 (2010) (upholding a town ordinance merging adjacent non-conforming lots) by revising RSA 674:39-a to state: “No city, town country, or village district may merge preexisting subdivided lots or parcels except under consent of the owner.” The 2011 State Legislature enacted HB 316 (effective July 24, 2011) which created a new section – RSA 674:39-aa.

Under RSA 674:39-aa, the owner of lots that were involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010 may request that the governing body “restore” the lots to their pre-merged status so long as the following conditions are met: (1) the request is made prior to December 31, 2016; and (2) no owner in the chain of title had voluntarily merged the lots (with the municipality bearing the burden of proof of such voluntary merge). A municipality may adopt an ordinance to restore merged lots that is less restrictive than these provisions. Any decision of the governing body on such requests may be appealed to the ZBA under the provisions of RSA 676.

Your property may qualify if two or more lots were merged for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes and the merger occurred:

- During your ownership, without your consent; or
- Prior to your ownership, if no previous owner consented to the merger.

Your properties will once again become separate lots; however, they must still conform to applicable land use ordinances. Restoration does not cure non-conformity.

If you are a property owner in the Town of Holderness and feel this RSA pertains to your property and you would like to “restore” the lots to their pre-merged status, please stop by the Town Hall or contact us at 603-968-2145.

## SQUAM LAKES CONSERVATION SOCIETY (SLCS)

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The Squam Lakes Conservation Society (SLCS) is a land trust dedicated to the protection of Squam's natural resources. We achieve the permanent protection of land by seeking, holding, and monitoring conservation easements and through land ownership. Our activities are accomplished in cooperation with the Holderness Conservation Commission, other conservation organizations, government agencies, businesses, residents, landowners, and members.

SLCS is one of New Hampshire's oldest land trusts. Founded in 1960, our first parcel was a gift of land by Frank Webster to create the Holderness Town Beach to benefit Holderness residents. SLCS currently has a stake in the protection of 40 Holderness properties covering over 4,400 acres. Here are some of the highlights from 2014:

- We completed 9 conservation projects (302 acres) including the Sanford-Doyle conservation easement protecting 10.4 acres on the south flank of Little Squam in Holderness.
- We continued to support the Squam National Register of Historic Places. In October, the National Register of Historic Places announced the listing of Shepard Hill in Holderness on the National Register. This listing includes sixteen different land owners.
- SLCS ended the year protecting 118 properties and 8,000 acres of land, contributing significantly to the 25% of land protected in Squam watershed, more than any other large-lake watershed in New England.

As "Squam's Land Trust," we are stewards of one of New Hampshire's most pristine and breathtaking natural resources. We rely on volunteers to monitor each protected property, and will gladly provide training. Please contact us with any questions about volunteering or conserving your land. Our website is [www.squamlakes.com](http://www.squamlakes.com), or call Alicia Abbott, Zak Brohinsky, Pete Helm, Doug Hill or Roger Larochelle at 603-968-7900

## SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER

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A few highlights this year include:

- The Science Center had a second consecutive year of record breaking attendance with over 50,000 trail visitors.
- Squam Lakes Natural Science Center was selected by the readers of Parenting New Hampshire magazine as a “Family Favorite” award recipient for Favorite Environmental and Educational Center.
- The partnership between the Hobo Railroad and the Science Center for the “Nature by Rail” series was recognized by NH Magazine for the 2014 Best of NH awards as an Editor’s Pick for “Best Business Partnership in a Recreational Category.”
- The Science Center received a TripAdvisor Certificate of Excellence Award for 2014 which honors hospitality excellence.
- The National Science Foundation’s Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) funded New Hampshire EPSCoR’s Ecosystems and Society Project.
- A new Wood Energy Exhibit opened featuring two GARN boilers that provide heat for the Welcome Center, Trailhead Gallery (and Blue Heron School), Webster Building, and Tamworth Pavilion. The boilers will also heat the Water Matters Pavilion – scheduled to open in 2016.
- A new Coyote Exhibit opened featuring a five-year-old adult male coyote. Donations from the Hilltop Foundation and Noah Foundation funded this construction.
- A new grant from the Jane B. Cook 1983 Charitable Trust provided continuing support for the Osprey Tracking project. Project leader, Iain MacLeod, presented a paper on the summer foraging behavior of three New Hampshire ospreys at an Osprey Symposium at the joint meeting of the Wilson Ornithologist Society and the Association of Field Ornithologists, in Newport, Rhode Island.
- The Science Center kicked off the community phase of the Nature Matters capital campaign which enables the Science Center to undertake significant expansion of the current trail exhibits and enhances the long-term financial stability of the Center.
- The Horizon Award was given to former trustee, Tashia Morgridge, for her outstanding service and commitment to the Science Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Gillen, Squam Lakes Natural Science Center

## STATE FOREST RANGER AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

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Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. Please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17), a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at 603-271-2214 or online at [www.nhdf.org](http://www.nhdf.org).

This past fire season started in early April with the first reported fire on April 7th. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, began with unseasonably dry conditions continuing through the entire month. This dry pattern continued through the first half of May; 80% of our reported fires this season occurred during this six week period. The largest fire was 24 acres, occurring in the town of Tamworth. From mid-May through early September, above average rainfall kept the total acreage burned statewide at 72 acres. This is the smallest amount of acreage burned statewide in several years. Late August through late September, though, brought a dry trend to northern areas, resulting in several deep-burning, remote fires. The fire danger days correlated directly with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers' fire spotting capability was supplemented by the New Hampshire Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2014 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the State's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

# UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

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University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension's mission is to provide New Hampshire citizens with research-based education and information to enhance their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families and communities, sustain natural resources, and improve the economy. Based in the Grafton County office in North Haverhill, it reaches its audiences through a combination of traditional and modern methods, including Facebook and Twitter.

A cross section of our impacts during the past year is listed below.

- A unique memorandum of understanding between the Division of Forests and Lands and the UNH Cooperative Extension Natural Resources Program was renewed for the seventh time since 1925.
- Deb Maes worked with a group of volunteers in the Plymouth/ Holderness area to protect the Livermore Falls section of the Baker River.
- Dave Falkenham assisted private landowners with understanding and management of forest dynamics on 5,700 acres of private forest in Grafton County.
- Heather Bryant completed an overwintering onion trial, a small winter greens trial, a tomato fertility trial and a disease resistant outdoor tomato trial.
- Donna Lee initiated two SPIN (Special Interest) 4-H groups; Sign Language and GPS Navigation in the Woods.
- Michal Lunak coordinated statewide, day-long workshops for producers on improving milk quality, improving forage quality and working effectively with slaughterhouses.
- Kathy Jablonski, 4-H Healthy Living, sponsored Choose Health: Food, Fun and Fitness in three locations in the state. 4-H Healthy Living now has a web presence. <http://extension.unh.edu/4-HYouth-Family/4-H-Healthy-Living>
- Lisa Ford has been engaging parents, youth, and seniors to learn healthy eating and physical activity practices.

Be sure to look for the Extension on Facebook, Twitter and [www.extension.unh.edu](http://www.extension.unh.edu).

Respectfully submitted,  
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